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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Practically all of the vaults and safes of financial concerns in Baltimore whose places were destroyed are found to be unhurt. —— The fire destroyed 140 acres of business buildings, representing property valued at $125,000,000. —— A naval engagement took place Monday night off Port Arthur, Japanese attacking the Russian fleet; two Russian battleships and one first-class cruiser were disabled and beached; the Japanese apparently were not damaged. —— Japanese troops disembarked Monday at Chemulpo, Corea. —— Jury in the case of Mrs. Post, charged with using the mails for fraudulent purposes, returned a verdict of guilty. ——The census bureau reports 9,485,537 bales of cotton ginned of this season's crop up to Jan. 16th, 1904. —— At a conference in Baltimore yesterday of the governor of the State, the mayor and others, it was decided that Baltimore for the present needs no outside assistance. —— Mr. Overmann made his maiden speech in the Senate yesterday in opposition to the Panama treaty. —— Admiral Evans has been ordered to take his squadron to Chinese waters to observe the naval operations. —— Unknown man found murdered in Mercer county, W. Va. —— Negro who shot and killed two men in a theatre at Middlesboro, Ky., has been caught. ——Russian mail steamer Mongolia reported captured by Japanese. —— Rumor in Tokio that the Japanese fleet had destroyed two Russian warships in an engagement yesterday. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent.; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady; cotton quiet at 14.25c.; flour firm and held at old prices; corn —spot firm, No. 2 59c.; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 97c.; oats—spot firm, No. 2, 43c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 9.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 33 degrees: 8 P. M., 39 degrees: maximum, 47 degrees; minimum, 33 degrees; mean, 40 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .06; rainfall since first of the month to date, .47 inch.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. 19 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—For North Carolina—Rain Wednesday; Thursday, clearing and cooler, increasing northeast winds.

Port Almanac—February 10.

Sun Rises	6.54 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.38 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 41 M.
High Water at Southport	3.42 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	6.12 A. M.

Couani is a new republic which has just come to life in South America. Who is its Brunau-Varilla?

The Aberdeen *Telegram*, a sprightly and successful weekly, has entered upon its eleventh year. Many more years of success and prosperity for the *Telegram*.

"One was pale and sallow and the other was fresh and rosy," says an exchange in the up-country. We'll take the fresh and rosy one, if she isn't anyways bird-faced.

If Russia licks Japan she will think it is hard lines when the United States and Great Britain step in and keep her from taking all the fruits of her victory.

There are many men who believe themselves to be self made, but when they dispose of themselves to some women it is only then that they can see their finish.

An exchange says "Congressmen must have good manners." President Roosevelt doubtless would like to see this injunction made temporary if not permanent.

The cablegrams tell us that the Chinese court, fearing a descent of Russian troops, is preparing to "fly" from Pekin. It is not stated where they are going to light.

It is announced that Bertillion has invented a method for making the dead appear lifelike. Col. Bryan is notified that the invention can't do anything for the Kansas City platform.

The war between Russia and Japan seems to be about to open Corea doubtless wishes they would fight on their own territory. Whichever wins it will mean that Corea will be a morsel for one or the other.

It is said that some Republicans are hot in the collar because Marion Buttler seemed to be pushing the button when the Republican executive committee met in Greensboro last week. That's all right, however, as Buttler will make them all wear his collar and tag before he gets through with them.

A bill has been introduced in the South Carolina Legislature to make it a crime to steal electricity. A fine not exceeding $100 and imprisonment not exceeding 90 days, or both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court are the penalties. All of South South Carolina's electricity will be safe when we go down there, for it is something we have resolved never to attempt to swipe.

LAST APPEAL IS IN VAIN.

Door of Hope is Closed to Jabel Register, Sentenced to Hang in Whiteville Thursday Two Weeks.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 9.—Governor Aycock to-day after hearing arguments against commutation by J. A. Brown, J. B. Schulken and others from Columbus county, decided not to interfere with the death sentence of Jabel Register and to let him be hanged at Whiteville February 25th, for the killing of Jessie Soles and Jim Staley last March.

The Governor devoted the entire morning to the hearing of a delegation against commutation and to further brief pleas by C. M. Bernard and Donald McRackan, prisoner's counsel, for commutation. The latter say they made their last fight in the matter and there is nothing left but for their client to pay the death penalty.

LOCAL DOTS.

— New York steamer arrived up at noon yesterday.

— Spirits turpentine was firm yesterday at 65½c. Rosin firm at $2.55 bid.

—"Nothing doing" in local cotton yesterday. Receipts 375 bales against 178 same day last year.

— The free reading room, No. 14 Masonic Temple, will be open this afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock.

— The steamer "Highlander" is on the ways at Skinner's, preparatory to being taken to Columbia, S. C.

— The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Merchants' Association will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

— The Masonboro public school will give an ice cream supper Thursday night for the benefit of its library. All friends are invited.

— The big fire in Baltimore need not alarm you if you are insured in any of a list of companies which Messrs. Dick & Reilly advertise in another column.

— The steamer "Wilmington" is off the ways and is as pretty and bright as a new pin. She is in excellent shape for the big excursion business that will be hers this Summer.

— Mayor C. B. McMillan, of Fayetteville, calls a mass meeting of citizens to assemble in the city hall at 10 o'clock this morning to express the sympathy of the town for the stricken city of Baltimore.

— By deed filed for record yesterday Ann E. Leggett transferred to Ann D. Farrow, of Newbern, for $1,000, property on south side of Mulberry; 198 feet west of Second street, 33 feet on Mulberry street and 66 feet parallel with Second street.

—The hosts of friends and patrons in the South of the well known wholesale paper house of Dobler & Mudge will be interested in the announcement that the big fire in Baltimore has destroyed every paper house in the city except that of Messrs. Dobler & Mudge.

— Durham *Sun*: "The Republican executive committee seems to have had a love feast in slicing out pie at its meeting in Greensboro last week. Dr. Bowling was decapitated as revenue collector in Durham, and Thomas E. Wallace was centered upon as postmaster for Wilmington, and there is no telling how many other little wires were laid for manipulating offices."

— Rev. J. W. Williams, of Beaufort, who has been assisting Rev. G. B. Webster in a revival at Bladen Street M. E. Church, left yesterday morning for Nashville, N. C., to assist in a series of meetings there. The revival at Bladen Street Church will continue this week and the pastor will be assisted by Rev. W. A. Jenkins, of Onslow county.

GUARANTY COMPANY ALL RIGHT.

Reliable Institution, Represented in City, Survives Great Baltimore Fire.

The United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, of Baltimore, which carries a good many risks in Wilmington, yesterday telegraphed C. D. Weeks, Esq., its general agent here, as follows:

BALTIMORE, MD., Feb. 8th, 1904.
C. D Weeks, Wilmington.

We together with portion central section of city passed through an ordeal of fire with total destruction of home office building which, however, is fully insured. Our securities and investments are all lodged in deposit vaults of Trust Company and are unquestionably safe. The financial condition of the company is unaffected, books and records all saved and the business will proceed without interruption at temporary headquarters Sixteen West Saratoga St., Baltimore. Secure co operation of press in making this announcement.

8:51 A. M. JNO. R. BLAND, Pres.

Through Train Here.

On account of the wreckage of a freight car on the main line near Dunn, N. C., the Atlantic Coast Line New York and Florida Special came via Wilmington before day yesterday morning, taking the main line again at Pee Dee, S. C. The accident at Dunn was of no consequence.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Dick & Reilly—Big fire in Baltimore.
J. H. Boatwright & Son—Telegram.
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Fire.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Notice—"Servant question."

THE SUPERIOR COURT.

William Willson, White Vagrant, Given Five Years for Second Degree Burglary.

JAIL CASES ALL WIPED OFF.

Law and Order League Cases Begin This Morning—Grand Jury Investigating Recent Incendiary Fires—Sentences to the Roads.

For entering the residence of Mr. John J. Kelly, at the northwest corner of Third and Market streets during the holidays and stealing therefrom an overcoat and other articles of clothing, which he subsequently disposed of at a colored restaurant on the wharf, William Willson, a white tramp who is said to be of respectable parentage in the West, was yesterday sentenced in the Superior Court to five years at hard labor in the State penitentiary. The grand jury a week ago returned a true bill for burglary in the first degree against Willson, and he would have been placed on trial for his life but for the fact that he submitted to the felony in the second degree, and for the reason that there was an element of doubt in the evidence all along as to whether the door was closed at the time the man went into the house. The verdict of the jury was by instruction of the court.

The bulk of the jail cases were disposed of yesterday but none of them was of importance. It was agreed that the Law and Order League cases would come up this morning first thing at 9:30 o'clock. The one called yesterday was that in which Kate Jenkins is charged with keeping a disorderly house, but Solicitor Duffy said he did not know which one of the dozen or more defendants would be tried first this morning. Thirty talesmen were ordered summoned from which to select the jury.

The grand jury, contrary to expectations, was in session all day yesterday. Of course the proceedings in the grand jury room are strictly private, but it is understood that the recent incendiary fires in Wilmington were being investigated and that the jury was finding it pretty hard to act upon a bill of indictment, sent down by the Solicitor, touching the matter.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS.

Court met at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning and the sheriff returned the talesmen ordered summoned for the day except Albert Solomon, G. M. Croft, James Winberg, G. A. Mason and D. K. Futch. The following were excused: Walter P. Burns, Charles Biomme, T. Hawkins, J. E. G. Brown, H. H. Hewlett, G. T. Flynn, J. Walter Williamson and G. W. Frederick.

Cases against Rosa Watson and Alice Watson, charged with keeping a disorderly house, were nol prossed with leave.

John Hudson and James Freeman, colored, serving terms on the roads from the Mayor's court for disorderly conduct, were brought into court by Superintendent Shearin and each was sentenced to 40 additional days on the roads for carrying concealed weapons.

Matthew King, colored, charged with the larceny of clothing from Mr. M. F. Allen, was found not guilty.

Daniel L. Hall, colored, charged with the larceny of a bicycle, was likewise found not guilty.

Judgment nisi, sci fa and capias was entered in case of Walter Silvis, charged with forcible trespass.

Ida Turner, colored, charged with larceny, was called and failed and judgment entered nisi, sci fa and capias.

John Young, colored, charged with an assault with a deadly weapon, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two months on the public roads. Judgment was suspended on payment of costs in a case against him for carrying concealed weapons.

Andrew McLean, colored, charged with interfering with Officer Frank George in the discharge of his duty, was found guilty; judgment reserved.

Josephine Pigford, colored, charged with assault and battery several terms ago, was sentenced to 30 days in default of costs.

Stedman Burriss, colored, charged with larceny and carrying concealed weapons, through his counsel, Herbert McClammy, Esq., submitted to forcible trespass as to the charge of larceny and pleaded guilty to carrying concealed weapons. He was fined $50 and required to pay the cost in each case.

John Knox, colored, charged with larceny by trick in borrowing a gun, disposing of the same and appropriating the proceeds to his own use, was found guilty and recommended to the mercy of the court. He was sentenced to four months on the roads.

Divorces were granted in cases of Mary Susan Brown, vs. Chas. F. A. Brown and Wm. Telfair vs. Henrietta Telfair.

Will Wed This Month.

The following invitations have been issued: "Mr. and Mrs. Bernhard Solomon request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Miss Lena Annie, to Mr. Henry Clay Bear, on Tuesday afternoon, February twenty-third, at five o'clock, at the Temple of Israel, Wilmington, North Carolina." The announcement will be received with much interest and pleasure by the hundreds of friends of the popular young people here and elsewhere.

Washington Bread at Farrii's; 30 loaves for $1.00, 3½cts. per loaf, 3 loaves for 10cts. If its not as good or better than any bread sold in the city we will refund your money. 'Phone 636. No. 109 South Front street.

CONFERENCE AT WARSAW.

Representatives of Truck Growers and Crate Manufacturers Hold Important Meeting—Another Here To-day.

Mr. H. T. Bauman, business agent, and Messrs. Wm. E. Springer, of Wilmington, and W. E. Thigpen, of Chadbourn, members of the Executive Committee of the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association, returned last night from Warsaw, where on yesterday with other members of the committee, they held a conference with the officers of the organization of crate manufacturers in North Carolina, the purpose being to obtain such information as is desired by the Board of Directors of the E. C. F. & T. G. Association, which pledges itself to protect the growers from alleged arbitrary rulings in connection with the sale of crates which are said to be detrimental to the interests of the small producer. The committee will report to a second called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Association in the office of Business Agent Bauman in the Masonic Temple, this city, at 11 A. M. to-day.

The conference at Warsaw yesterday was held in the Odd Fellows' hall and every member of the committee of truckers was in attendance, viz: President W. L. Hill, of Warsaw. Messrs. Springer, Bauman, Thigpen, J. A. Westbrook and J. S. Westbrook. Among the officers of the crate factory organization present were Mr. T. B. Peirce, of Warsaw, president; Mr. A. F. Johnson, of Clinton, vice president, and Mr. W. R. Newbury, of Magnolia, secretary. All members of the Board of Directors of the factory organization were also in attendance except Mr. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn.

While members of the delegation from the truckers who returned to the city last night would not anticipate their report to the directors to-day, enough was gathered to infer that the conference was perfectly satisfactory to them or in other words that they "went, saw and conquered." Whether the concessions gained at the conference will be satisfactory to the directors will not be known until their meeting to-day. The conference yesterday, however, looked like the first step to an amicable adjustment of the differences between the two organizations, both powerful in their influence and far-reaching in their scope.

THE ARION MALE QUARTETTE.

First Class Entertainers Will be Seen Friday Evening at the Y. M. C. A.

Seats are going rapidly at DeRosset's for the engagement of the Arion Male Quartette at the Y. M. C. A. Friday night. It is a Southern organization and has won the plaudits of both press and public in the South. A recent issue of the Raleigh *Times* contains this reference to the company:

"Their singing is all that could be wished for, and every number was heartily encored. A number of novel features in dress and position were introduced to break the monotony of a straight performance. It was certainly a well-pleased audience, and the quartette fully sustained its reputation."

REV. C. W. TRAWICK TO LEAVE.

Popular Young Wilmington Pastor Decides to Accept Call to Hickory Church.

Rev. C. W. Trawick, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian church, announced to his congregation Sunday night that he had decided to accept the call to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at Hickory, N. C. While the call to Mr. Trawick takes him to a larger field of usefulness, his many friends here will regret to learn of his intended departure. Wilmington Presbytery will meet in Wilmington, Friday, 18th inst., to dismiss the popular young pastor to Concord Presbytery, which embraces the Hickory church.

FUNERAL OF MR. WM. WATTERS.

Impressive Services from St. James' Church Yesterday—Pall-bearers.

The funeral of the late William Watters was conducted in the presence of a large number of friends in St. James' Episcopal church at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the Rev. R. W. Hogue, rector of the parish, officiating. The interment was in Oakdale cemetery. The floral offerings were many and very beautiful.

The pall-bearers were: Honorary, Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Col. A. M. Waddell and Mr. Junius Davis; active, Col. Walker Taylor, Messrs. F. A. Lord, A. H. Holmes, T. D. Meares, T. C. McIlhenny and A. M. Waddell, Jr.

WILMINGTON EXTENDS SYMPATHY.

Mayor Springer Expresses Regret to Chief Executive of Baltimore City.

Mayor Wm. E. Springer on yesterday sent the following prepaid message of condolence to the chief executive of the fire swept city of Baltimore:

WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 9th.
Hon. Robert M. McLane, Mayor of Baltimore:

In behalf of our citizens, I extend to the people of your stricken city our most heartfelt sympathy in the great calamity which has overtaken them.

WM. E. SPRINGER,
Mayor of Wilmington.

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KNIFE IN HIS CELL.

Another Sensation at the Jail, Resulting from Finding of an Ugly Weapon.

JAILOR'S PROMPT ACTION.

A. W. Rivenbark, the Prisoner, Who Puzzled the Officers in an Ingenious Manner, During Repeated Denials—Taken from Him.

No jailor in the State is more careful or solicitous for the safety of his prisoners than Capt. R. M. Capps, who is at present serving this county in the important capacity named, but yesterday one of his charges came near baffling him and for what purpose no one can tell. The prisoner was A. W. Rivenbark, confined as a man of unsound mind upon the verdict of an inquisition of lunacy, and the way in which he all but outwitted the veteran officer is about as follows:

Early this week Mr. W. J. Meredith visited Mr. Rivenbark at the jail and in the course of a conversation, the latter drew a long knife and remarked to Mr. Meredith that it didn't seem that he was much crazy when they would allow him such a weapon as that. Mr. Meredith didn't think so either, but was naturally a little alarmed and reported the occurence to Mr. Marsden Bellamy, who regarded the incident with a little more seriousness. Mr. Bellamy reported the matter in turn to Jailor Capps and the officer went forthwith to Rivenbark's apartment in the jail and demanded the knife. The prisoner said he had no knife and stoutly contended that he had had none. The room and every stitch of clothing therein was searched and facts seemed to be on the side of Rivenbark, for nothing in the shape of a weapon could be found. Jailor Capps went back to inquire if there could not be some mistake. He received a negative reply and again made a fruitless search yesterday morning. A little later, however, the presence of the knife in reach of the man was discovered in a most extraordinary manner and in a most extraordinary place.

Rivenbark is confined in the woman's department of the jail, overlooking the fire engine house on the corner. Soon after the final search yesterday morning, one of the firemen at the station noticed an object resembling a knife lying on the sill outside of a window of Rivenbark's room. Jailor Capps was notified; he went into the room, put his hand outside at the point indicated by the fireman and drew in a murderous-looking knife of the barlow pattern, which was immediately removed. The blade of the knife is four inches in length, while the handle is an inch longer.

While no one can impugn Mr. Rivenbark's motives in having the knife in his possession, the jailor was of the very good opinion that it had best be taken away. Capt. Capps thinks the knife went into the jail in the prisoner's overcoat pocket.

U. S. A. TROOPS COMING TO-DAY.

New Company for Fort Caswell Will Arrive on Special This Morning.

The Nineteenth Company, Coast Artillery, which has been ordered from Cuba to Fort Caswell, will arrive this morning on a special train over the Seaboard Air Line and will proceed at once on the steamer "Wilmington" to the new post. The troops are being handled from Pensacola, Fla., by the S. A. L., via Hamlet.

Lieut. Phillip Yost, in charge of the quartermaster's department at Fort Caswell, came up last night to look after the transportation of the men from Wilmington to the fort. He does not expect the men before early this afternoon as all special trains are subject to more or less delay. The new company was formerly stationed at Caswell about six years ago, but has been in Cuba since that time, its last station being Morro Castle. The company is in command of Capt. Robinson and is composed of about 75 men. With three others which have been transferred to the United States, it arrived from Havana at Pensacola night before last.

PIANO RECITAL THIS EVENING.

Musical Treat in Store for Those Who Attend Concert in Elks' Temple.

Friends are asked not to forget that this evening the Wilmington Piano Club will give one of its delightful recitals in the auditorium of the Elks' Temple. The programme was published Sunday, and from it may be seen that some of the very finest talent in the city will participate. Seats are now on sale and may be obtained from any member of the club.

Erroneous Smallpox Rumor.

An unfortunate report gained currency yesterday to the effect that a child of Mr. W. J. Toomer had developed a case of smallpox. The report is entirely erroneous. The child has been ill for several days and there was some evidence of an eruption on the patient's face Monday, but yesterday that had disappeared and one after another physician gave the opinion that not the least symptoms of smallpox were exhibited.

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STRIKES AT THE VERY ROOT.

Southern Will Test in Federal Court the Constitutionality of Act Establishing the Corporation Commission.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 9.—In the hearing of the injunction proceedings brought by the Southern Railway Company here to-day, counsel for the railroad raised the point of the constitutionality of the act by the Legislature establishing the Corporation Commission, the defendant in the injunction proceedings, and will fight the case and upon that ground in the Federal Court, carrying it to the Supreme Court if need be.

The Corporation Commission today instituted suit against the Seaboard Air Line for repeated violation of its order requiring the restoration of certain flag stations between Hamlet and Wilmington. Three such stations are specifically named in the complaint and the case is made returnable in Wake Superior Court before Judge Geo. H. Brown at the term beginning Feb. 29th. The action is backed by the Chamber of Commerce, of Wilmington, and many leading citizens at points inconvenienced by the arbitrary refusal of the Seaboard to restore these stations.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. Jno. M. Wolfe, of Asheville, arrived last night.

— H. L. Stevens, Esq., arrived last night from Warsaw.

— Mr. S. H. Strange, of Fayetteville, arrived last night.

— Mr. D. L. Middleton, of Wilmington, was in Fayetteville yesterday.

— Miss Nora Angel has returned from a visit to her sister in Washington, N. C.

— Mr. O. L. Clark and Dr. J. D. Devane, of Clarkton, are guests at The Orton.

— J. O. Carr, Esq., returned last night from a business trip up the W. & W. road.

— Mr. John J. Kelly returned yesterday evening from a trip up the W. & W. road.

— Mrs. W. C. Galloway, returned last evening from a visit to her old home at Tarboro.

— Capt. A. L. DeRosset, is laid up with a badly bruised leg as the result of an accident on a trolley car several days ago.

— Mr. E. N. Farrior arrived last night to join Mrs. Farrior, who is a guest of her mother, Mrs. M. Y. McKoy, of this city.

— Cameron F. MacRae, Esq., returned last night from Wadesboro, where he had been on professional business for several days.

— Mrs. Platt D. Walker and Miss Nettie Dockery left yesterday morning for Raleigh, after a visit to the family of Mr. Junius Davis.

— Mr. Hugh M. McAlister, business manager of the *Presbyterian Standard*, of Charlotte, is in the city on business connected with his paper.

— Miss Hattie Jones, of Norfolk, and Mr. J. Herbert Jones, of Hampton, Va., who were called here by the death of their aunt, Miss Hoskins, left for Virginia yesterday.

— Florence *Times*: "E. S. Lathrop, of Wilmington, was in the city to-day for a few hours. Mr. Lathrop is an old Florentine and renewed a number of his old acquaintances, who were delighted to see him."

— Young Alvah Stanland, who was operated on for appendicitis at the James Walker Memorial Hospital Monday at noon by Drs. Love and Burbank, is getting along nicely—so well, in fact, that on Tuesday morning he asked to be permitted to read the account of the Baltimore fire in the morning papers.

WILL NOT BE FIRST ASSISTANT.

Mr. Albright's Probable Removal to Wilmington With Coast Line.

It is denied at headquarters here that Mr. Percy Albright, of Raleigh, will become first assistant to General Manager John R. Kenly, of the Atlantic Coast Line, the position now held by Mr. R. E. Smith, of this city. The report first gained currency through a special telegram from Raleigh to the STAR late Monday night and many expected yesterday to learn of the promotion of Mr. Smith to a still higher position in the official life of the Coast Line as a result of the change, but it now proves that Mr. Albright will not succeed Mr. Smith who remains as assistant general manager.

While it is denied that Mr. Albright will become first assistant to the general manager, it is not denied that he will have a good position in the office of some kind. The following special was received from Raleigh last night:

"Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 9.—There are no further developments in the matter of P. R. Albright's removal to Wilmington to become assistant to General Manager Kenly. Mr. Albright replied to an inquiry to-night that he had nothing to say about the matter. It is known, however, that negotiations for a change are pending."

Change of Managers.

Mr. Willis Scudder, of Greensboro, arrived last night and will succeed Mr. R. C. Rubright as manager of Kress & Co.'s five and ten cent store in this city. Mr. Rubright has been promoted to manager of the Macon, Ga., store of the same company and will leave this week for his new charge. Mr. Scudder was formerly manager for Kress & Co. in Greensboro.

The Store That Pays Your Car Fare. REHDER'S. The Store That Pays Your Car Fare.

Mill End Sale of Zephyr Ginghams.

3,000 yards in lengths of 1 to 10 yards. The prettiest colors and patterns ever shown here. Very popular for Ladies' Waists and Children's Dresses. Sold in full pieces for 12½ and 15c the yard; mill end price 10c.

TWO GENUINE BARGAINS.

Imported Black Voile, 42 inches wide, was $1.25 the yard, reduced to $1.00.

Black Etamine, Nub Effect, 46 inches wide, was $1.25 the yard, reduced to $1.00.

J. H. REHDER & CO.,
feb 6 tf 615, 617, 619 North Fourth St.

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Don't fail to see them.

The C. W. Polvogt Co.
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Silk Mousline for evening wear 19c yard. All-over Laces—bands and edges to match. Veiling for Dresses.

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Curtain Swisses.
Satin Underskirts 59c to $4.50.
Silks for Shirt Waist Suits. Button effect Embroidery.
Metal Dot Mohairs.
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When the alarm sounds are you worried about the safety of your securities, important papers and other valuables? For four dollars per year you can secure a private safety deposit box in our Fire and Burglar Proof Safe. Will it not pay you to make this small outlay for safety's sake.

Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,
108 Princess Street.
J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President
feb 10 tf C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

TELEGRAM.

NEW YORK, February 9th, 1904.

Messrs. J. H. BOATWRIGHT & SON.

Agents of Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company, Wilmington, N. C.

Estimated Baltimore loss one million, which will be paid by draft on home office in Liverpool, England, so as to maintain surplus of the United States branch. We have subscribed ten thousand dollars for relief of the sufferers.

H. W. EATON, Manager.
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Obtained Judgment.

In Justice Fowler's court yesterday, Mr. J. N. Gibbons, formerly manager for the company, obtained judgment against the Wilmington Tobacco Warehouse Co., for $198.26, claimed by him as balance due on salary as manager and auctioneer. It is learned that the company is perfectly solvent and has funds to meet every obligation, but that it preferred the claim of Mr. Gibbons to take the course that if has and that it will later be settled in full.

Interment at Burgaw.

The remains of the late Mrs. J. S. Collins, who died Sunday in Washington, will be brought to Burgaw this morning for interment, accompanied by the bereaved husband and two sisters, Mrs. T. A. Wortham, of Wilmington, and Mrs. H. C. Bentley, of Richmond, Va. Mr. Wortham and Mrs. G. A. Bronson will go up to Burgaw this morning to attend the funeral.

S. A. L. Officials Here.

General Superintendent R. H. Hudson, of the Seaboard Air Line, Trainmaster C. F. Whitted, of Hamlet, and other S. A. L. officials, were here yesterday on a regular inspection of the company's terminals in this city. The party came yesterday morning in the superintendent's private car attached to the freight train and left on the afternoon train.

Moved to Fayetteville.

Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville *Observer* says: "Mr A. S. Holden, of Wilmington, has moved to Fayetteville to be connected with the Armour Packing Co. His many friends will be glad to welcome him to this city."

Folding Bed!

For sale a double Folding Bed of Finest Quality, with Springs and Mattress. Everything as good as new. Will be sold for half its value. Has a large Mirror, and when folded is a handsome piece of furniture.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEB. 10.

THE FIRST WAR NEWS.

A condition of war between Japan and Russia exists, and while a battle of some nature may have already taken place, there is no definite news. However, the cablegrams of yesterday contained reports that "guns were heard," &c,, but the St. Nicholas Moal man also made such reports during our war with Spain, and as he turned out to be a romancer and prevaricator of the sublimest type, we have learned to receive with doubt those reports about hearing big guns at sea.

Just as we suspected, the first real news of the war between Russia and Japan reached Wilmington yesterday at 11:30 o'clock, in this bulletin sent by the Associated Press to the STAR:

"ST. PETERSBURG, February 9.—An official dispatch received here says that Japanese torpedo boats have attacked the Russian squadron in the outer roads at Port Arthur, and that three Russian ships were damaged. A later dispatch, timed, 2:30 P. M., received by the Russian Admiralty, says that 11 Japanese and 1 Russian warships were sunk in attacks upon Port Arthur. The town is in flames and

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P. M., announcing sinking of eleven Japanese ships and the fact that the town of Port Arthur was in flames. The announcement was given out in St. Petersburg as being official, but investigation showed it to be untrue."

While the above bulletin has had a damper cast over it, that is not denying that there has really been a a conflict. The situation of affairs is such that news of a battle will cause no surprise. War is almost a certainty and in discussing the outlook the New York *Journal of Commerce* says:

In balancing the forces opposed to each other in the impending conflict between Russia and Japan, due account has hardly been taken of the exceptional value of the great Japanese reserve of patriotism. As one who has known the country and its people from long residence among them has remarked, sentiment is a wonderfully powerful factor in Japan and the strongest of all sentiments in Japan is patriotism. It is that which differentiates the Japanese from all other Asiatic races. Among Asiatics generally the idea of patriotism as it exists in the Western world is almost unknown. Its place is sometimes taken by religious fervor, or fanaticism, as with the Turks, or by racial pride, as with the Chinese.

In Japan alone, and to an extent which transcends everything in Europe, and certainly exceeds any sentiment known to the mass of the Russian people, patriotism is a thoroughly national conception—it might almost be called the national religion. Observers who witnessed the scenes enacted in humble Japanese hamlets when the troops returned from China after the war of 1894 testify that those who had lost their nearest and dearest refused to allow their domestic grief to shut them off from the national rejoicings. One inscription displayed on a banner in a small rustic temple was typical of many: "Rejoice and be proud, for nineteen of our sons returned to-day, having nobly lived; rejoice and be proud still more, for seven of our sons return no more, having nobly died."

In the same vein is the testimony of Lafcadio Hearn, who says after intimate acquaintance with Japan and the Japanese: "Ask a class of Japanese students to tell their dearest wishes, and, if they have confidence in the questioner, perhaps nine out of ten will answer, 'To die for His Majesty, our Emperor.' And the wish soars from the heart pure as any wish for martyrdom ever born. Such ecstatic loyalty is a part of the national life; it is in the blood—inherent as the impulse of the act to perish for its little republic, unconscious as the loyalty of bees to their queen."

Considerations like these give a new meaning to the declaration which Mr. Alfred Stead credits to an eminent Japanese statesman: "Cores must be Russian or Japanese, and to make it the latter every one of Japan's two hundred and fifty thousand soldiers will die, if need be, to achieve this victory for his Emperor—this act of international justice, this guarantee of the safety of the Japanese nation. And, after our soldiers are gone, the nation itself—man, woman and child—will battle, forty millions of us, till the last yen is gone and the last life yielded. It is with us no statesman's policy; it is with us the settled purpose and the burning passion of a people."

THE NESTOR OF NORTH CAROLINA JOURNALISM.

The oldest editor in North Carolina is the venerable Col. R. B. Creecy, editor of the Elizabeth City *Economist*, but we had no idea that he was ninety years of age. He still writes vigorously and there is a felicity and finish about his writings that give a reader pleasure as well as edification.

The Elizabeth City *Tar Heel* says of Col. Creecy:

The writer enjoyed the privilege of a visit with the venerable editor of the *Economist*, Col. R. B. Creecy, who has passed the milestone of fourscore and ten years. It was a rare pleasure to hold converse with this gentleman, with whom time has dealt gently, and who still wields his pen with delightful fluency and force. We hope his life may be flooded with the sunshine of happy memories of his eventful past, and warm friendships of the glorious present, this old man, the Nestor of our State journalism.

This was graceful in the *Tar Heel* and the STAR joins its esteemed contemporary in its good wishes for Col. Creecy. Hats off!

Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

PROFOUNDLY MUM.

Chief Justice Alton B. Parker, of New York, was made the lion of the occasion at a dinner given on the night of February 6th by the Manhattan Club in New York city.

Many good things were said of Judge Parker and repeated cheers were followed by cries of "Judge Parker, the next President of the United States."

One speaker said: "That gentleman possesses a standard of intellectuality and dignity that is required in the President."

This opened up the way for Judge Parker to break the profound silence which he has maintained, but no where in the account of the affair was any mention made that he even acknowledged the compliment paid him.

If the judge continues to occupy the attitude that "silence is golden," he will create the impression that he has nothing to say.

Ex-Secretary Hoke Smith, of Atlanta, summarized the Democratic situation in Georgia a few days ago by this remark, which he authorized a newspaper to quote:

"Georgia will send its delegation to the national convention to vote for the nomination of Chief Justice Alton Brooks Parker, of New York, for President, if the Democrats of New York will take the lead."

SENATOR OVERMAN SPEAKS AGAINST RATIFICATION.

Senator Overman, North Carolina's junior Senator, for some time had his judgment suspended as to what course he should take with reference to the ratification of the Panama canal treaty, but it was announced a few days ago that he had finally decided to oppose confirmation "after looking into every phase of the matter."

In accordance with the announcement that he was to make a speech on the question yesterday, Senator Overman addressed the Senate in a strong speech in which he severely criticised the methods of the administration in the Panama matter, and stated that while he regretted his inability to vote for the treaty he could not get the consent of his conscience to vote for ratification.

On Monday, Senator Clay, of Georgia, made an admirable speech in favor of ratifying the treaty. He sharply criticised the conduct of the administration in its dealings with Panama, but gave the most logical reasons why he was going to vote for ratification.

ONLY WAY STEALING CAN BE JUSTIFIED.

A clerical friend of ours in discussing the position of the Democratic Senators and Representatives who denounce the method of the Roosevelt administration as to the Panama revolution and at the same time announce that they will vote for the ratification of the canal treaty, said they remind him of an old negro woman who lives in Cumberland county.

The old darkey's two sons went foraging one night and came in with a couple of hogs which they had killed and dressed. She stood in the door with both hands raised to express her disapproval of the theft and said:

"Look heah, you niggers, yer des can't bring dem hogs in dis house; so yer might as well tek 'em to Fayetteville and exchange 'em fer some sugar and coffee fer de ole oman!"

The Japanese government has broken off diplomatic relations with Russia and that means war. Our government was officially notified at Washington Sunday. Before the reply of Russia had been delivered to Japan, the Russian foreign office on Friday received a note from the Japanese minister of foreign affairs, announcing that negotiations as to the Eastern question had been broken off, and asking immediate passports for the Japanese minister at St. Petersburg. We can now look out for stirring news.

A New York broker who is a philanthropist, let his pretty typewriter buy a brass bedstead and make purchases to the amount of $200. The bills got into the hands of the old lady at home, and the philanthropist looked like 30 cents at the breakfast table when his wife asked him to explain what connection a brass bedstead had with philanthropy.

Low Round Trip Rates Via Atlantic Coast Line.

Mobile, Ala.—$33.20 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. On payment of 50 cents an extension of limit to March 5th may be secured.

Pensacola, Fla.—$32.70 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. By depositing ticket at Pensacola and on payment of 50 cents additional an extension of final limit to March 5th can be obtained.

New Orleans, La.—$25.35 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. By depositing ticket at New Orleans and on payment of 50 cents additional an extension of final limit to March 5th can be secured. W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent.

Dr. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION FOR WEAK WOMEN.

Cured of Bronchitis.

Letter from Prominent Milwaukee Man Published by Request of Our Local Druggist, Robt. R. Bellamy.

To the Editor of the STAR.

For the benefit of all people in Wilmington suffering from hard colds, hacking coughs, bronchitis, throat troubles or weak lungs, I wish you would publish the following letter:

"Dear Sir:—For two months I suffered with a hard coal and hacking cough, which settled into bronchitis and sore lungs. I was nearly worn

W. H. O'KEEFE.

out, had tried all kinds of medicine when Vinol was recommended. I have never tasted cod liver oil in so delicious a form, and what is better it quickly eased the soreness in my lungs, cured bronchitis and cough and made me well and strong. I enjoyed taking every dose." W. H. O'Keefe, Milwaukee, Wis.

We guarantee that Vinol will cure all such troubles, or will give back the money paid for it. The above letter is published simply to add additional proof.

Physicians everywhere indorse Vinol. A prominent physician writes: "Vinol is the most valuable preparation of cod liver oil known to medicine; it is of untold value to create strength and build up the general system for old people, weak women and children; and it has no equal for hard colds, broncial and all lung affections.

We ask the people of Wilmington to try Vinol on our guarantee that if it does not help them they can come back and get their money. Robt. R Bellamy, Druggist.

CYNICISMS.

If you like any one, his mistakes are almost as easy to excuse as your own.

It costs more to keep a chafing dish than it does to keep a horse and buggy.

Compliments, like love letters, are very silly when addressed to some other person.

Shortly after a married woman inherits money from her kin her husband embarks on some new business enterprise.—Atchison Globe.

Warts.

A simple remedy for warts is a dram of salicylic acid with an ounce of collodium in a bottle which has a tiny brush run through the cork. Apply this mixture to the warts twice a day, and in a few days they will dry up and fall off.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Recreant.

"I trust, Brudder Eph'm," said the pastor, "you is still walkin' in de straight an' narrer path?"

"I'ze sorry to say, pahsun," replied Uncle Eph'm, deeply penitent, "I'se backslode a good deal lately."—Chicago Tribune.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Lord Wolseley says the American army is the best army in the world because it is the best paid. That's one reason.—*Houston Chronicle.*

—— The committees of the two factions of the Populist party will meet in St. Louis next week to exchange reminiscences and compare whiskers.—*Washington Post.*

—— The insurance companies appear to have profited by something over $1,000,000 on business written in Tennessee during the last year. This does not seem to be a very large sum, compared to the immense risk taken, but still it is a very comfortable sum, and indicates that insurance companies do not lose all the time.—*Chattanooga Times.*

—— It is like gall to the Northerners to see millions and millions of tons of ownerless ice floating in the rivers, threatening to tear down their bridges and in some cases destroy their homes as well, and then to reflect that next Summer they will have to pay 50 cents per 100 pounds for that same kind of stuff.—*Savannah News.*

Oxygen Hunger

The worst starvation is Oxygen hunger.

It is a disease when your blood is deficient in red corpuscles.

It ends in Consumption and death.

Its signs are weakness, loss of flesh, pale skin, transparent complexion, loss of ambition, and proneness to "catch cold."

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It is a medicinal emulsion of cod liver oil, containing principles which vitalize and oxygenate the blood and thereby gives fresh life and energy to the tissues.

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LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice, Feb. 9th, 1904.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Christaner Calvin, Lue Beel Canlan, Ellen Dirs, Jane Hayes, Carrie Jackson, Virginer Jahmes, R. A. Jones, (2) Carrie Johnson, (2) Fannie Johnson, July Latham, Fannie Lee, Miss Lundy, Clara Norcc, Cornelia Shuler, Carrie Steward, Laura Thorneway, Mary Violet, Belle Wilson, Sarah Watkins.

MEN'S LIST.

H. F. Archer, F. T. Bannerman, Charley Basends, John Benjamin, E. L Brooking, (3) J. D. Cottle, Frank Cox, Stephen Creech, M. T. Davis, R. T. Fikes, Clark Franklin, Wesley Evans, Grant Gardner, Junious Hall, Geo. W. Heard, Frank Heart, J. W. Hoggins, Frank James, C. H. Johnson, N. G. Johnson, J. E. Jones, E. R. Joyner, J. S. Kelly, G. B. McKay, Jonah McPherson, Geo. Miller, M. G. Pearsall, J. D. Robins, J. B. Sellers, Dorn Shipman, S. C. Smith, Lloyd Thompson, Geo. H. Williams, F. B Wilson, "Omega".

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Jaunie Willison, N. E. Willison.

One cent due is charged on letters advertised.

Letters to strangers or transient visitors to a town or city, whose special address may be unknown, should be marked in the lower left-hand corner with the word "Transient."

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead letter office. M. C. DARBY, Postmaster.

TWISTINGS.

— Mr. Roosevelt (over the telephone)—Hello, Mr. Hanna, is that you calling me? Mr. Hanna—Well, I guess not, if know myself.—*Detroit Free Press.*

— She—You say you are unlucky at cards? He—Very. "Well, you must be lucky at love, I suppose?" "I am. I've never been married."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Balty More: What's the matter? You're gasping like a stuck pig. I never knew you had asthma. Calvert, Jr.: I haven't. I have just been pricing cut glass.—*Baltimore News.*

— Brown's book must be having a great sale. "Why do you think so?" "Because he's had his hair cut, and the other day I saw him looking into the window of a first class restaurant."—*Atlanta Constitution.*

— Boarder: Why in creation did you ring the breakfast bell at 4 o'clock this morning? Cook: The missus heard it thundering, and told me to hurry up and serve breakfast before the mild soured.—*N. Y. Weekly.*

— Ida—Isn't it a pity some nice young men could not get a glimpse of how we bachelor girls enjoy ourselves? May—Yes; but the only trouble is, if any nice young men came along, we wouldn't remain bachelor girls.—*Chicago News.*

— Patient—I feel doopey all de time. I don't know w'ats de matter wid me. Doctor—Is your occupation sedentary? Patient—I don't catch on to dat. I'm a street-cleaning contracter, an'—. Doctor—Ah! What you need is exercise.—*Philadelphia Press.*

— "Your star boarder tells me you have fine meat on your table at every meal." "He's a splendid man. I quite regard him as one of the family. So he said we served fine meat at every meal, did he, the dear"— "Well, practically that, he said hash."—*Houston Post.*

— Wife: Darling, we dined at the Squatsons' just one week ago tonight. Do you realize that we must make our dinner call? Husband: Suppose we don't. Wouldn't they like it? Wife: Why, they never would forgive us—I'm sure they would never ask us again. Husband: Good! Then we won't go!—*Brooklyn Life.*

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 9.—Cotton: Spot, moderate business; prices 48 points higher; American middling fair 7.78d; good middling 7.69d; middling 7.56d; low middling 7.46d; good ordinary 7.36d; ordinary 7.16d. The sales of the day were 4,000 bales, of which 400 bales were for speculation and export and included 3,100 bales American. Receipts 24,900 bales, all American.

Futures closed very steady; American middling (g o c): February 7.30d; February and March 7.30d; March and April 7.32d; April and May 7.33d; May and June 7.34d; June and July 7.35d; July and August 7.35d; August and September 7.18d; September and October 6.53d; October and November 5.23d.

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Stmr Tar Heel, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, S M King.

Clyde steamer Navahoe, Johnson, Georgetown, S C, H G Smallbones.

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run-down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist.

For Over Sixty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, soften the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup and take no other kind.

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LOVE

Often leads to poverty. No real woman ever sold her heart for the luxuries of life.

But many a woman who has gladly faced poverty for the man she loved, may well doubt her wisdom when pain becomes the mate of poverty. If she were rich, she thinks, she could find a way of cure.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is within the reach of every one. It lifts the burden of pain which weighs down those who suffer from womanly diseases. It establishes regularity, dries weakening drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness.

"You have my heartfelt thanks for your kind advice to me," writes Mrs. Geo. Fletcher, of 101 Victoria Avenue, Galt, Ontario. "Was troubled with catarrh of uterus for over a year. The doctors said I would have to go through an operation, but I commenced to use Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and 'Golden Medical Discovery,' also his 'Lotion Tablets' and 'Antiseptic and Healing Suppositories.' Now I am completely cured, after using six bottles of Dr. Pierce's medicines. I am glad to say his medicine has made me a new woman."

Weak and sick women, especially those suffering from diseases of long standing, are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter, *free*. All correspondence is held as strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are easy and pleasant to take. A most effective laxative.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.

STAR OFFICE, February 9.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 62½c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $2.55 per barrel bid for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.50 per barrel for hard, $4.35 for dip, $4.35 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 63c; rosin firm at $1.70@1.75 bid; tar firm at $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.20, 3.75@5.75.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	41
Rosin	300
Tar	239
Crude turpentine	58

Receipts same day last year—6 casks spirits turpentine, 17 barrels rosin, 176 barrels tar, 58 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Nothing doing.

Same day last year, market firm at 8⅛c for middling.

Receipts—375 bales; same day last year, 178.

Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 90c; extra prime, 95c; fancy, $1.00, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 80c; extra prime, 85c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, $1.00.

CORN—Firm; 57½@60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 16@16½c per pound; shoulders, 12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Firm at 23c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 25@35c; springs, 10@22c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 13½@18c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@55c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent; closed at 1½@2 per cent.; time loans were firm; sixty days 4@4¼ per cent.; ninety days 4¼@4¾ per cent.; six months 4¾@4¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¾@5¼ per ct. Sterling exchange was steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485.70@485.75 for demand and at 483.85@483.90 for sixty-day bills. The posted rates were 483½@483½. Bar silver 56¾. Mexican dollars 43¾. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 104¾; U. S. refunding 3's, coupon, 104¾; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 106; do. coupon, ex int, 106; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 139½; do. coupons, 133¾; U. S. 4's, old, reg'd, 107; U. S. 5's, old coupon, 107; U. S. 5's, registered, —; do. coupon, —; Southern Railway, 5's, 119¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 91; Chesapeake & Ohio 33¼; Manhattan L 141¼; New York Central 117; Reading 43½; do. 1st preferred 79; do. 2nd preferred 56; Southern Railway 21; do. pref'd 61¼; Amalgamated Copper 45⅝; People's Gas 98¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 37½; U. S. Leather 7¼; U. S. Leather, preferred, 76½; Western Union 87¾; U. S. Steel 11⅛; do. preferred 59¾; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 39; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 100; sales — shares. Standard Oil 640.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine steady.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 9.—Spirits turpentine and rosin nominal; nothing doing. Quotations omitted.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 9.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 63½c; receipts — casks; sales 176 casks; exports 176 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 3,869 barrels; sales 2,068 barrels; exports — barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $3 80; D, $3 80; E, $1 85; F, $3 90; G, $3 95; H, $3 95; I, $3 20; K, $3 25; M, $3 30; N, $3 30; W G, $3 45; W W $3 35.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of ten and thirty-three points on moderate bull support and covering, following firmer cables than expected and apprehension that the census bureau report would not prove as bullish as predicted. At the opening there was a slight reaction, but the bull leader supported the market on all weak spots and by the middle of the forenoon the active months were forty-three to fifty-five points net higher, March selling at 13.90, May at 14.35 and July at 14.35. Toward noon, however, reports were circulated that the census bureau report would prove disappointing from the bull standpoint and at noon prices had reacted to within seven to twelve points on last night's close. Then the census report was read. It showed that 9,859,377 bales had been ginned to January 16, or, counting round bales as half bales, 9,485,537 bales. The bulls had been predicting that this report would show below 9,200,000 bales. Instantly prices broke and inside of a few minutes had lost nearly a cent a pound, counting from the best of the morning and not twenty five to forty-five points, with March selling at 13.30, May 13.40 and July at 13.45. At this level the local bull leader started buying, the shorts turned to take profits, and there was a rally to within nine or ten points of last night's finals, while July, which had gone down 110 points in two sales at New Orleans recovered ninety points. Later, however, selling orders came in from out-of-town, as the report spread through the country and the market weakened again, becoming sensationally weak and active in the late trading when sentiment was inflamed by reports that a financial institution in Bremen was in difficulties, involving it was rumored important American interests. March, under the influence of this scare sold down to 13.67, May to 13.00 and July to 13.06. The close while steady as to tone was at practically the lowest with the net decline a matter of twenty-five to ninety-two points. Sales were estimated at 900,000 bales. The decline here from the high point of the morning was between 125 and 183 points on the three active positions. Receipts were light, contributing to the early firmness, but exports were light also, and the report of the census bureau seemed to be considered a very bearish factor, even at the decline which has taken place during the last week, that now amounts to practically 45c a pound since the high point of last week, to-day's decline having carried prices about two points lower than the previous low point of the downward movement.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Cotton quiet at 14.25c; net receipts 269 bales; gross receipts 5,627 bales; stock 76,966 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 14.25; middling gulf 14.50c; sales 105 bales.

Cotton futures market closed steady: February 12.42, March 13.67, April 12.89, May 13.00, June 13.04, July 13.05, August 12.38, September 11.60, October 11.15, December 10.80.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 26,763 bales; exports to Great Britain 388 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 403 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 740,872 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 71,954 bales; exports to Great Britain 10,089 bales; exports to France 50 bales; exports to the Continent 11,989 bales; exports to Japan 974 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,168,584 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,633,254 bales; exports to France 603,873 bales; exports to the Continent 2,182,848 bales; exports to Japan 35,733 bales; exports to Mexico 32,073 bales.

Feb. 9.—Galveston, nominal at —c, net receipts 9,651 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 1,200 bales; Baltimore, quiet at 14.25c, net receipts 1,431 bales; Boston, nominal at —, net receipts — bales; Wilmington, nominal at —, net receipts 375 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 14.50c, net receipts 53 bales; Savannah, dull at 13¾, net receipts 4,219 bales; New Orleans, nominal at —c, net receipts 9,661 bales; Mobile, nominal at —, net receipts 1,298 bales; Memphis, nominal at —, net receipts 1,326 bales; Augusta, firm at 14c, net receipts 1,016 bales; Charleston, steady at 14, net receipts 31 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Flour was firm and held at old prices. Rye flour, fair to good $3 50@3 75. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 97c. Options ruled strong and fairly active pretty much all day. The leading influences were war news and good Northwest buying. Closed 1¼@2c higher; May closed 96¾c; July closed 91½c; September 84¾c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 59c. Option market was quiet and higher, but with advancing tendencies it turned very strong, with wheat and provisions, closing ½c net higher; May closed 59½c; July closed 57½c; September 56½c. Oats—Spot firm; No. 2 48c. Lard strong; Western steam $8 00; refined strong; continent $8 00; compound 6¼@6½c. Pork firm; family $15 50@16 00; short clear $14 50@15 00; mess $15 25@16 00. Butter firm; extra creamery 25c; State dairy 14@20c. Cheese—Market was steady; State, full cream fancy, small colored, September 12; late made 10¼; small white, September 12; late made 10¼. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania nearby average, finest 33c. Peanuts firm; fancy hand-picked 4½c; other domestic 3¼@6c. Potatoes firm; Long Island $3 25@3 50; Jerseys $2 75@3 25; Jersey sweets $1 50@3 75; State and Western sacks $2 65@2 75. Cabbage steady; domestic, per ton, $25 00@35 00; per 100 $5 00@10 00. Freights to Liverpool—by steam 12. Tallow quiet. Molasses firm. Rice steady. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 2 27-32c; centrifugal, 96 test 3 11-16c; molasses sugar 2 19 32c; refined steady. Cotton seed oil was very firm and held higher, with lard products: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 30½@31c; prime summer yellow 33½; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 40c; prime winter yellow 40@42c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—The influence of the disturbances in the Orient was keenly felt to day in the provisions pit. Active demand sent the price of May pork $1.23½ per barrel above yesterday's closing figure. Grain prices also were affected. The close was strong in both grain and provisions, with May pork up $1.23½, May lard 35c and ribs 30c. May wheat closed 1@1¼c up, May corn 1¾c and oats up 1¾c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—Cash prices: Flour—Market firm. Wheat—No. 2 spring 88@93c; No. 3 spring 80@92; No. 2 red 93¾@97½. Corn—No. 2 50c; No. 2 yellow 50c. Oats—No. 2 41@41½c; No. 3 white 39¼@43c. Rye—Not quoted. Mess pork, per bbl., $14 50@14 62½. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 55@7 60. Short rib sides, loose, $6 75@7 00. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, not reported. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 75@6 87½. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 94¼@94¾, 95¼, 94½, 95@95½c; July 84¾@84¾, 86⅜, 84¾, 86⅞c; September 80@80½, 81⅜, 80, 81¼c. Corn—No. 2 February 50½c; May 53¼@53¾, 54¾@54¾, 53⅞, 54¼@54½c; July 51@51¾, 52½, 50⅝, 52½c. Oats—No. 2 February 41c; May 43¼@43¾, 43⅝, 43@43¾, 43½c; July 38@38⅞, 39¼, 38@38⅝, 39@39½c; September 33¾, 33⅝, 33¼, 33½c. Mess pork, per bbl—May $13 70, 14 90, 13 70, 13 70. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $7 57½, 7 80, 7 57½, 7 80; July $7 65, 7 87½, 7 65, 7 87½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $6 87½, 7 12½, 6 85, 7 12½; July $7 02½, 7 25, 7 02½, 7 23½.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Coffee—Spot Rio nominal; No. 7 invoice 7; Cordova 8¼@13½c. The market for coffee futures opened steady with an advance of 10@40 points. After the opening, however, there was considerable selling by importers and the market weakened 10@15 points. The close was steady at a net gain of 10@20 points. Sales 200,000.

— Burgess: I don't know; I always thought Slimby had a mind of his own. West: So he has; but his wife operates it.—*Boston Transcript.*

A LONG-FELT WANT.

It is Supplied at Last in Wilmington.

Good-natured people are often irritable.

If you knew the reason, you would not be surprised.

Ever have itching piles?

Not sick enough to go to bed, not well enough to be content.

The constant itching sensation.

Hard to bear, harder to get relief.

Spoils your temper, nearly drives you crazy.

Isn't relief and cure a long-felt want?

You can have relief and cure if you will follow the advice of a local citizen.

C. S. Hollen, printer on the "Morning Messenger," residing at 419 Grace street, says: "I had used several remedies to get relief from itching piles but without any good results. Learning of Doan's Ointment I obtained it at Bellamy's drug store. It acted immediately and proved so effective that I am entirely cured of the affliction. I found it to be an excellent remedy.

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. C., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., February 10.

STEAMERS.

Toloss, (Br) 3,099 tons, Holtium, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Lillian Woodruff, 288 tons, Warner, J T Riley & Co.

Harold J McCarty, 351 tons, Flynn, C D Mafflit.

Abbie G Cole, 232 tons, Cole, J T Riley & Co.

Rachel W Stevens, 1,032 tons, Stevens, C D Mafflit.

Ralph M Hayward, 529 tons, Trimm, C D Mafflit.

Brine P Pendleton, 831 tons, Hutchinson, C D Mafflit.

M C Haskell, 399 tons, Wingfield, C D Mafflit.

C C Lane, 806 tons, Kelley, (in distress) C D Mafflit.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—38 barrels tar, 5 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—47 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—299 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 60 barrels rosin, 31 barrels tar, 13 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—29 bales cotton, 31 casks spirits turpentine, 65 barrels rosin, 1 barrel tar.

Steamer Tar Heel—58 barrels crude turpentine.

Johnson's Flat—175 barrels rosin, 1 barrel tar.

Total—375 bales cotton, 41 casks spirits turpentine, 300 barrels rosin, 239 barrels tar, 58 barrels crude turpentine.

As Damon Was to Pithias.

Nothing benefits my children more when they are troubled with colds or irritation of the throat and lungs than a few doses of Cheney's Expectorant. This remedy has always been a loyal friend to me.

R. T. EDWARDS.

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Stocks, Bonds and Cotton.

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ARE YOUR LUNGS WORTH 50 Cts?

Why do you cough and hack, feel "all broke up" among your friends, and probably lose needed rest at night, when a dose of

Hall's Emulsion Petroleum Comp.,

with Benzoin, will give you almost immediate relief, and a bottle probably cure you completely? We get testimonials almost daily to the value of this remedy. Write us and we will send you a bottle, and if after taking one bottle you should feel dissatisfied return empty bottle and we will refund your money cheerfully.

JAMES M. HALL,
PHARMACIST.
Cor. 5th and Castle Sts., Wilmington, N. C.
jan 24 tf.

Southern Almanac

For Virginia and North Carolina. Price by mail 7 cents.

Circulation - - - 80,000.

Weather predictions without a rival.

Special prices on application.

1904.....NEW.....1904.

Virginia State Gazetteer will be published Fall 1904—Price $5.00.

For further information address HILL DIRECTORY COMPANY, dec 23 tf Richmond, Va.

SEALED PROPOSALS.

Sealed proposals for the lease of the Academy of Music for a period of 5 years, beginning June 1st, 1904, and ending June 1st, 1909, will be received at the office of the City Clerk and Treasurer at the City Hall in the City of Wilmington, N. C., until February 13th, at 12 o'clock M.; at which time said bids will be opened and the lease awarded to the highest bidder.

No proposals will be considered unless deposited with the City Clerk and Treasurer by the time aforesaid.

All proposals must be sealed and endorsed thereon with the name of the bidder.

The bid must state the annual rental.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

The City of Wilmington agrees at its own expense to install an efficient heating system in the house and to also make some other improvements, among them being the ceiling of the house and changing and alterating the proscenium boxes and arches, etc. All of the work to be completed not later than September 15th, 1904.

All bids must be addressed to Z. E. MURRELL, Chairman of the Public Building Committee. feb 5 5t.

An Invitation

Is herewith extended to our friends to call at our store and examine our line of useful household ware. The celebrated

Excerpta Drip Coffee Pot.

Full line of

Coffee Pots, Tea Pots and Kettles in Spun Copper, Nickel Plated.

ANYTHING YOU NEED IN

Tinware and Stoves.

—SPECIAL AGENTS FOR—

Howes Scales, L. & R. Powder and Peninsular Stoves

J. W. Murchison & Co.,

jan 3 tf Orton Building.

Cuban Blossom

—AND—

RENOWN CIGARS.

These Cigars are better than ever

"SILVER COIN"

FLOUR.

It is the BEST ever ground; guaranteed.

H. L. Vollers.

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Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.

Recipe of Old Dr. SAMUEL PITCHER

A perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought

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Guns, Guns.

We have in stock Remington with automatic ejector, Baltimore Hammerless, Winchester repeating six shot, and complete line of Belgium Guns, Hunting Coats, Leggins, Gun Cases and Revolvers of all kinds. Our assortment of sporting goods is complete.

If you want serviceable goods and at fair prices you will find them at our establishment.

WM. E SPRINGER & CO.,

Purcell Building, Wilmington, N. C.

'Phones 15. nov 24 tf

The Place To Buy 'Em

Is Where They Have 'Em, and we have got 'Em Dolges Velvet and Felt Slipps were $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50, now 85c and $1.00.

Solomon's Shoe Store.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Murchison National Bank,

of Wilmington, N. C.,

At close of business Jan. 23, 1904. (Began Business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,000,215 50	Capital	$ 200,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	250 00	Surplus and net profits	118,041 46
Bank Building	20,000 00	Circulation	20,000 00
Cash on hand and in Banks	863,762 89	Deposits	1,500,436 23
	$2,123,477 79		$2,123,477 79

Comparative statement of deposits,
Jan. 22nd, 1903, $657,556 76. Jan. 22nd, 1904, $1,500,436 23.
Jan. 22nd, 1903, $1,204,812 99

H. C. McQUEEN, President, J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier,

jan 24 tf

Good Luck Deal.

We offer one of the best deals on Good Luck Baking Powder that has ever been put on the market. Car expected to arrive within the next ten days. This offer for limited time only. If our salesman doesn't reach you in time, write us for particulars.

D. L. GORE CO.,

Wholesale Grocers and Importers,

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Coming this Week.

Nicest Lot of the Year.

Fifty head just arrived, the right kind at the right price.

F. T. Mills.

jan 24 tf

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BAGGAGE TRANSFER.

BRASS POLISH, HARNESS OIL, CHAMOIS, SPONGES, SOAP,

RIDING BRIDLES. SADDLES, BLANKETS, ROBES, WHIPS.

oc 6 tf 108, 110, 112 North Second Street.

FERTILIZERS

VIRGINIA-CAROLINA CHEMICAL CO.

N.C. SALES DIV. DURHAM N.C.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Elizabeth City, says the *Tar Heel*, is soon to have free mail delivery.

— A correspondent in the Charlotte *Observer* suggests the nomination of Hon. J. A. Lockhart, of Wadesboro, for governor.

— The largest losers in North Carolina by the failure of Baxter & Co., were Hanes Watts at Charlotte, $48,127, and Anderson & Johnson, at Wilson, $13,000.

— Wilson, Greensboro and Sanford experienced a severe wind and thunder storms on Sunday afternoon. Barns and houses were unroofed and considerable damage was done.

— Robesonville *News*: All we have to say gentlemen, is, if Cleveland is the only man who can guide the old Democratic ship safely into harbor, trot him out. But we believe there are others.

— Elizabeth City *Tar Heel*: Seldom do we find requests for professional men and women in the "want ads." of a daily newspaper. Skilled laborers are most in demand. You are permitted to draw your own conclusions.

— Mr. Joe Becton, of Kinston, suffered a painful wound a day or two ago while scaling fish that may necessitate amputation of part of his hond. The very sharp knife slipped on a big fish scale and struck his hand, cutting it to the bone and probably severing the gristle holding the joints together.

— Governor Aycock has refused to commute the death sentence of Will Boggan, a negro, who murdered a white man named Sullivan at Wadesboro, on the 20th of February, 1903. He will be hanged Feb. 25th, the same date set for the execution of Jabel Register at Whiteville.

— At Washington Monday President Roosevelt sent to the Senate the nomination of George K. Pritchard, ex-sheriff of Alexander county and a brother of former United States Senator Jeter C. Pritchard, to be U. S. Marshal for the Central District of Indian Territory. William H. Holt was nominated for postmaster at Graham, to succeed himself.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Walter Murphy, Esq., of Salisbury, will probably be a candidate for the nomination for Congress in this district. Mr. Murphy, who vigorously opposed the Watts bill in the Legislature of 1903, has been requested by many leading Democrats throughout the district to make the race. A close friend of Mr. Murphy said that he would in all likelihood run.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: The Goldsboro Furniture Manufacturing Company has increased its capital stock to $150,000. The company has been doing a splendid business and making money for several years and the products of the factory have become so popular and there is such a growing demand for the same that they have found it necessary to increase their plant. Mr. W. H. Borden, the president of the company, has just returned from Dunn, where he purchased several thousand dollars worth of timber.

— The Catawba Electric Power Company, located on the Catawba river, in South Carolina, about twenty miles from Charlotte, will furnish electric lights to Charlotte at $54 for arc lights of 2,000 candle power for the first 150 lamps and $48 for all lights in excess of 150. The 4 C's Company now has the contract at $90 a lamp. The Catawba Company will also furnish incandescent lights for public and private use at a greatly reduced price. The contract begins in six months, but the company will be ready for business in four months.

— When the Southern's north bound train No. 36 arrived in Charlotte Monday morning the front of the engine was bespattered with human blood and portions of a man's brain, while strips of clothing hung to the running gear of the locomotive. The train ran over and killed an unknown man at what is called the second trestle at South Forks, about 16 miles south of this city. Although the identity of the unfortunate man is unknown, it is supposed that he was a tramp, who while under the influence of liquor lay down on the trestle and went to sleep.

— Judge Frank I. Osborne, of Charlotte, who is a member of the private land claims court, was in Washington Monday on his return from New York and visited the capitol, where he was the guest of members of the North Carolina delegation. It developed that Judge Osborne's judicial position will cease to exist after July 1st, when the statute creating the court will cease by limitation. The appropriation for the court, which is always carried in the judicial, legislative and executive appropriation bill, was not included this year.

— Among the nominations sent to the Senate Monday was that of Geo. K. Pritchard, to be marshal of the central district of the Indian Territory. The position is an important one and carries a salary of $4,500. It is a position which has caused the President no little concern, as there have been several changes of officials in the territory and much consequent confusion. The President had been told about Mr. Pritchard's method of dealing with the bad men in the mountains of western North Carolina, when moonshiners were more numerous and desperate than at the present time, and the conclusion was reached that Mitchell's former sheriff would be the right man to deal with the Indians and half breeds, which sometimes becomes necessary. Mr. Pritchard is a brother of Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, former United States Senator from North Carolina.

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Haggins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had consumption, and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery, and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all Throat and Lung diseases by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free. †

BE A REAL WOMAN.

No. 805 Pease Avenue, HOUSTON, TEXAS, May 14, 1903

I was barren during the six years of married life, suffering with painful menstruation and a dozen other aches and pains. I was a poor excuse for a wife as I was not able to be up more than about half the time and daily grew weaker and weaker.

Wine of Cardui changed me into a different woman in five short months, made me robust and strong, ready and willing to assume the burdens and duties of married life and to enjoy its pleasures.

I am very grateful to you for my good health and am today blessed with a baby who is the pride of our home and this is all due to your medicine. You will not wonder then that I am grateful to you.

Mrs. Charles Mason

VICE-PRESIDENT, HOUSTON MOTHERS' CLUB.

WINE of CARDUI

Wine of Cardui brings health to sick women. Wine of Cardui brings children to barren homes. Wine of Cardui transforms sick wives into real women—women who glow with health and are full of life.

Mrs. Mason was an invalid, a type of the thoroughly discouraged woman. By taking Wine of Cardui she has secured perfect health. She has become a happy mother and now rejoices in the life which was once such a burden and a sorrow to her. A man can be almost an invalid and keep about but the troubles which generally afflict women are so vital that as Mrs. Mason said of herself "I was a poor excuse for a wife".

No woman should allow herself to remain in this condition. How can any refuse the health Mrs. Mason has? Wine of Cardui is freely offered to all. Any woman may secure exactly the same relief if she will take Wine of Cardui. Wine of Cardui is not a strong medicine but it is a certain cure for menstrual irregularities. It will not do impossibilities but it does cure bearing down pains, makes motherhood possible for barren wives and relieves the pains at the monthly period. Secure a bottle of Wine of Cardui today.

All druggists sell $1.00 bottles of Wine of Cardui.

Use of Oil Meal.

The heavy use of oil meal with fattening cattle and especially with hogs tends to make the flesh rather soft and oily, something not desirable in beef production and especially objectionable in the production of pork, says W. A. Henry. The limited use of oil meal should not prove injurious to brood sows, but would be very helpful, especially in preventing costiveness, which may occur at or near the time of parturition. Such a condition should be carefully avoided by the use of oil meal and wheat bran, both of which are valuable for correctives.

REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 996,214 80
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		345 04
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		175,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc.		32,000 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		26,453 45
Due from State Banks and Bankers		138,917 94
Due from approved reserve agents		107,086 35
Notes of other National Banks	$3,800 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,281 03	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie	10,000 00	
Legal tender notes	$61,000 00	$166,981 03
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		5,400 00
Total		$1,808,728 09

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	$125,000 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	70,127 87	195,127 87
National Bank notes outstanding		125,000 00
Due to other National Banks	183,737 36	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	250,469 72	
Dividends unpaid	413 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	730,539 18	
Cashiers checks outstanding	20,689 96	
United States Deposits	173,800 00	1,358,630 22
Total		$1,808,758 09

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of November, 1903.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
O. W. YATES,
WM. CALDER,
D. MCEACHERN,
} Directors.

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For Sale,

One fifteen barrel Turpentine Still, Cap, Arm and Worm complete, in good order.

SAM'L BEAR, SR., & SONS.,

Wholesale Grocers, Wilmington, N. C.,

jan 3 D&W tf 18 Market Street.

Quina LAROCHE

(A VINOUS ELIXIR.)

Physicians highly recommend it as a specific remedy in cases of

MALARIAL FEVERS, COLDS, INFLUENZA, SLOW CONVALESCENCE.

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Dr. Bigger's Huckleberry Cordial

The Great Southern Remedy.

Cures all Stomach and Bowel Troubles, such as Chronic Dysentery, Cholera Morbus, Bloody Flux, and also children teething. It seldom fails to make quick and permanent cures of all stomach and bowel diseases. See testimonial of the late

HENRY W. GRADY.

Dr. Walter A. Taylor, Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir: This is the first opportunity that I have ever given as to the merits of any medicine, but I take pleasure in recommending Dr. Biggers' Huckleberry Cordial. I consider it the best remedy that I have ever used in my family for Stomach and Bowel Troubles. 50c invested in a bottle of this medicine to be used in the beginning of any stomach trouble will often save life as well as a large doctor's bill. I have a friend whose life was, in my opinion, saved by the prompt use of Dr. Biggers' Huckleberry Cordial. For sale by all Druggists, 25 and 50c per bottle.

(Signed) HENRY W. GRADY.

Atlanta, Ga., May 23, 1887.

Haltiwanger-Taylor Drug Co., Prop., Atlanta, Ga.

Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein will cure Coughs, Croup and Consumption. Price 25c and $1 a bottle.

A WOMAN TO BE PRETTY

Must Have Luxuriant and Glossy Hair, No Matter What Color.

The finest contour of a female face, the sweetest smile of a female mouth, loses something if the head is crowned with scant hair. Scant and falling hair, it is now known, is caused by a parasite that burrows into the scalp to the root of the hair, where it saps the vitality. The little white scales the germ throws up in burrowing are called dandruff. To cure dandruff permanently, then, and to stop falling hair, that germ must be killed. Newbro's Herpicide, an entirely new result of the chemical laboratory, destroys the dandruff germ, and, of course, stops the falling hair, and prevents baldness. Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

HARDIN'S PHARMACY, Special Agent.

CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH

ENNYROYAL PILLS

Original and Only Genuine.

SAFE. Always reliable. Ladies, ask Druggist for CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH in RED and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with blue ribbon. Take no other. Refuse Dangerous Substitutions and Imitations. Buy of your Druggist, or send 4c. in stamps for Particulars, Testimonials and "Relief for Ladies," in letter by return Mail. 10,000 Testimonials. Sold by all Druggists. Chichester Chemical Co.

Mention this paper. Madison Square PHILA., PA.

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To the new line of Spring Dress Goods and Trimmings.

THE NEWEST, THE BEST, THE CHEAPEST.

New Embroideries and Laces of Exquisite Designs

and all-over effects.

Persian Trimmings; Also, Oriental Bands, Something New

New Silks of all shades.

Voiles, Ettamine Colored Linens.

Carpets, Rugs, Art Squares, Mattings and Oil Cloths. Dressing Cases, Travelling Bags, Trunks, all sizes. Handsome line of White Goods, Nainsooks, Dimities, Linen Lawn, Organdies, Mercerized Goods.

NEW NECKWEAR, GLOVES, RIBBONS.

Come and see some of our special goods this week for Spring. Agents for the American Lady Corset and Her Majesty Corset. We are special agents for the superb perfumes and dainty toilet specialties made by Reker, of New York. Ask for his book.

A. D. BROWN,

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Our Coal Is

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and our price only $5.00 per ton. We respectfully solicit your orders.

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Inter-State Phones 416, 146. Bell Phones 94, 64.

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STATEMENT OF THE

Atlantic Trust and Banking Company,

Wilmington, N. C.

At close of business, January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from report to Corporation Commission. Began business September, 1903.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$384,988 84	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	100 00	Undivided profits	12,222 61
Cash on hand and in Banks	19,986 93	Deposits	342,782 86
Total	$404,995 47	Total	$404,995 47

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By virtue of the provisions of the power of sale contained in a mortgage made by George H. James to the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association, recorded in Book No. 83, page 674, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover County in Wilmington on the 8th day of February, 1904, the following described lot of land in said city: Beginning at a point in the Eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet south of the southern line of Wooster street, runs thence east parallel with Wooster street 55 feet, thence South parallel with Seventh street 66 feet; thence west parallel with Wooster street 55 feet; thence north with the eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet to the beginning.

WILMINGTON HOMESTEAD & LOAN ASSOCIATION. by

jan 12 20t JOHN D. BELLAMY, Attorney.

Commissioner's Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Court of New Hanover county, in the case of Joseph Turner and Emma Turner vs. Whitfield Turner and Richard Turner, the undersigned commissioner will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash on Thursday, the 3rd day of March, 1904, at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington, the following property: Beginning in the northern line of Campbell street 413½ feet west of the western line of Eighth street, runs thence west with the northern line of Campbell street 41½ feet; thence north parallel with Eighth street 66 feet; thence east parallel with Campbell street 41½ feet; thence south parallel with Eighth street 66 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 5, Block 93.

T. E. BROWN, Commissioner.

feb 2 30t.

Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. 3 Pass'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Pass'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	4 32	Goldsboro	11 06	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston	10 13	.....
5 40	5 50	New ..d	9 27	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 52	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points. Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 5.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 23 tf S. L. DILL, Supt.

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*† 7.00 A. M.	8.10 A. M.	.....
10.00 A. M.	11.17 A. M.	11.00 A. M.
3.00 P. M.	6.15 P. M.	5.00 P. M.
*† 6.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M.	.....
10.00 P. M.	10.30 P. M.	Saturday only

*Daily except Sunday.
†Will not run beyond Wrightsville unless there are passengers for the Beach.

FREIGHT.

Small freight shipments will be carried on all passenger cars except 3 P. M. trips. Special arrangements for transportation of large shipments or bulky freight can be made by applying at the office. dec 19 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 00 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	10 27 p m	9 30 p m
Ar Wilson	1 10 p m	10 05 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 16 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 05 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 58 p m	1 43 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 23 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 42 a m	9 09 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 05 a m	11 20 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 05 a m	5 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	8 01 p m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	9 22 p m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	10 45 p m
Ar Norfolk	.....	7 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 38 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 06 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 41 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 33 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 46 a m	4 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH. SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 30 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	7 30 p m	9 50 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 35 p m	6 40 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 50 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	6 40 p m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 25 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	8 00 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 14 p m	5 56 a m
Ar Florence	7 50 p m	9 25 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 12 35 p m
Ar Fayetteville	10 15 p m	Ar 4 45 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	6 25 p m	Ar 12 35 p m
Ar Newbern	8 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

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W. J. CRAIG, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager.

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Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

TRAIN 39	Leaves Wilmington 3:10 p. m. arrive Lumberton 5:38 p. m., Pembroke 6:00 p m, Maxton 6:40 p. m., Hamlet 7:55 p m. arrive Charlotte 10:45 p m.	
TRAIN 15	Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p m, arrives Lumberton 3:15 a m, Pembroke 3:55 a m, Maxton 4:05 a m, Hamlet 6:00 a m.	
TRAIN 40	Leaves Charlotte 8:01 a m, Hamlet 9:40 a m, arrives Maxton 9:58 a m, Pembroke 10:08 a m, Lumberton 10:27 a m, Wilmington 12:45 p m.	
TRAIN 14	Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p m, arrives Maxton 12:36 a m, Pembroke 1:36 a m, Lumberton 2:15 a m, Wilmington 7:00 a m.	

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 55 a m	10 15 p m
Ar Monroe	9 10 a m	11 36 p m
Ar Charlotte	10 05 a m	.....
Ar Chester	10 30 a m	1 10 a m
Ar Greenwood	12 53 p m	3 31 a m
Ar Athens	3 30 p m	6 58 a m
Ar Atlanta	6 55 p m	7 30 a m

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 15 a m	10 10 p m
Ar Columbia	10 30 a m	1 30 a m
Ar Savannah	9 50 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 40 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Tampa	6 15 a m	6 35 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	8 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 39 a m
Ar Norlina	3 23 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 50 a m	5 30 p m
Ar Norfolk		

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	10 55 a m
Ar Norlina	3 23 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Richmond	6 10 a m	4 58 p m
Ar Washington	9 00 a m	8 00 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 32 p m	11 05 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m	6 50 p m

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Lv Jersey City	1 15 p m
Lv Philadelphia	3 45 p m
Lv Baltimore	5 05 p m
Lv Washington	7 00 p m
Lv Richmond	10 25 p m
Ar Raleigh (Johnson St)	1 10 a m
Ar Southern Pines	3 54 a m
Lv Hamlet	4 50 a m
Ar Camden	6 20 a m
Ar Columbia (E. T.)	7 20 a m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	6 20 a m
Ar Savannah	2 40 p m
Ar Thalmann	11 24 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 50 p m
Ar St. Augustine	3 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

Lv St. Augustine	12 10 p m
Ar Jacksonville	1 10 p m
Lv Jacksonville	4 00 p m
Lv Thalmann	5 07 p m
Lv Savannah	5 00 p m
Ar Columbia (C. T.)	8 30 p m
Lv Columbia (E. T.)	9 35 p m
Lv Camden	10 14 p m
Ar Hamlet	11 55 p m
Ar Southern Pines	12 40 a m
Lv Raleigh	2 42 a m
Ar Richmond	6 45 a m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 32 a m
Ar Philadelphia	1 45 p m
Ar Jersey City	3 55 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING. FEB. 10.

THE CENSUS BUREAU'S COTTON CROP REPORT.

Quantity of Cotton Ginned from Growth of 1903 Up to January 16th 9,485,537 Bales—No Account of Linters.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The report issued by the Census office to-day of the quantity of cotton ginned from the growth of 1903 up to and including January 16th, 1904, shows that 30,117 ginneries were operated and that these ginned 9,859,377 commercial bales. Counting round bales as half bales the number is 9,485,537, which compares with 8,905,503 and 10,888,250 bales to December 13th, 1902, and to March 14th, 1903, respectively.

The report for the entire country is as follows: Square bales, 9,038,890; round bales, 747,480; Sea Island crop bales, 72,907—total commercial bales, 9,859,277. The total commercial bales ginned from the crop of 1902 to December 13th, 1902, was 9,311,835 and to March 14th, 1903, was 11,078,882.

In the report issued to-day no account has been taken of linters obtained by the cotton seed oil mills from re-ginning cotton seed. Statistics of such cotton will be included in the final report of this season, which cannot will be issued about March 4th[illegible] the computation of the average weight of the bale for this crop from data furnished by the ginners and cotton weighers, and a statement giving the results will be published about February 15th.

BALTIMORE CONFLAGRATION.

Loss Placed in Round Figures at $125,000,000—Insurance from $80,000,000 to $90,000,000—What Started Fire?

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 9.—No figures on loss and insurance that can be regarded as official are obtainable. A careful canvass of insurance experts, builders and business men places the loss in round figures at $125,000,000 and the insurance at from eighty millions to ninety millions. It is probable that these estimates will stand with slight change when the final figures are gotten. Much valuable property that lay in Monday's firepath was saved by the prompt efforts of merchants, and in that section the stock losses will be lighter than elsewhere.

To day gave opportunity for a careful investigation as to the cause of the original fire in the Hurst building. It was first reported that the blaze started from the explosion of a gasoline engine in the cellar, but this theory is given an emphatic denial.

Henry S. Hurst, of the firm of John E. Hurst & Company, said that there was no gasoline in the building, and that the fire did not have its origin in an explosion of this liquid in the Hurst building. The statement was subsequently corroborated by a signed statement issued by S. W. Thepper & Sons, insurance agents and brokers. They said that after careful inspections by deputies of their firm and of the Fire Underwriters' Association, they were satisfied that there was no gasoline in the building.

Mr. Hurst said that he and Charles George, a trusted employe, were the last persons to leave the building at 5:30 P. M. Saturday, and that all the electric lights were turned off by a switch. It is not denied that the fire originated in the Hurst building, but how it started is yet to be learned.

Outside the fire area this afternoon and to-night the streets were filled with tramping thousands. Multitudes of people and residents, as well as the out-of-town crowds who are flocking to the city on every train, spent the early hours of the evening on the section just back of the fire lines, gazing at the wrecked buildings. Solid lines of spectators stretched almost the whole length of the borders of the fire-swept district, and back for many blocks all along the line surged such crowds as Baltimore has seldom seen.

Baltimore firemen were called out again to-night by a fire which broke out in the engine room of Willis D. Gill & Sons, extensive lumber yard, beyond Jones' Fall. The fire, though on territoy adjacent to the original fire scene, was not in any way a result of the big conflagration. Three engine companies and the fire boat Cataract responded and in an hour had the fire completely under control, without extensive loss.

The reflection of the fire on the overhanging cloud of smoke gave rise to the rumor that fire had broken out in the southern district, the big Skinner shipyards, a mile from the fire area being mentioned, but the report proved unirue.

ADMIRAL EVANS' SQUADRON

to Chinese Waters to Observe Sino-Japan Naval Operations.

By Cable to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Orders were issued to-day to Rear Admiral Evans to direct his cruiser squadron, consisting of the Albany, New Orleans, Raleigh and Cincinnati, from Subig Bay to some point in Chinese waters yet to be determined, for the purpose of observing the naval operations. It is expected that the squadron can coal and get under way within two days. Admiral Evans is expected to keep the battleship squadron in Philippine waters throughout the period of hostilities between Russia and Japan. This decision was reached at the cabinet meeting to-day after long consideration. It has been definitely settled that the cruiser squadron will not go to Port Arthur.

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway, almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, of Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally as good for Burns, Bruises, Skin Eruptions and Piles. Only 25c, at R. B. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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A NAVAL BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR.

First Engagement Between Japan and Russia Took Place Monday Night.

JAPANESE MADE THE ATTACK

Two Russian Battleships and a Cruiser Disabled by Torpedoes and Beached at the Harbor Entrance—Engagement With the Forts.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

CHE FOO, February 9.—The Japanese fleet attacked Port Arthur at midnight on Monday. Two Russian battleships and one Russian cruiser were disabled by torpedoes.

The battle is being continued this morning at a range of three miles. There has been no further damage.

CHE FOO, Feb. 9.—The steamer Columbia has arrived from Port Arthur with news of the attack by the Japanese fleet upon the Russian fleet in the roads outside of the harbor of Port Arthur. The Columbia was in the roads at the time and felt the first shock of a torpedo explosion at 11 o'clock on Monday night. The attack continued all night and at daylight this morning two Russian battleships and one first-class Russian cruiser were seen to have been disabled and beached at the entrance of the harbor. The cruiser was badly listed to one side.

This morning the Russian forts opened fire on the Japanese fleet which was about three miles distant. The Japanese vessels returned the fire, hitting several of the Russian ships, but doing little damage. The Russian cruisers then went out and the Japanese vessels disappeared. They were seen later going in the direction of Dalny, apparently undamaged. Although the officers of the Columbia say that there were seventeen in the attacking party only sixteen were seen later in the day by the steamer Foo Chow.

The Russians left one cruiser outside to watch for the Japanese ships. The cruiser was fired upon by the Japanese, and the other Russian vessels took up their anchors and cruised around the roadstead. The Japanese fleet came up within three miles and a battle commenced. The Japanese fired on the ships and forts, which replied. Two Russian ships were struck by shells, but were only slightly damaged. The Russian fire fell short. The Columbia steamed away while the battle was in progress, but later saw the Japanese fleet leave.

One Japanese cruiser, with torpedo boats, is reported north of Che Foo.

Another Account.

A member of the crew of the Columbia tells this story of the naval battle at Port Arthur:

"The Columbia was lying in the roadstead surrounded by fourteen Russian battleships and cruisers. At 11:30 o'clock Monday night a severe shock was felt on board the Columbia. The Russians immediately commenced to operate their searchlights and opened fire towards the sea. The firing lasted only a short time. At 1 o'clock more shocks were felt and the Russian ships again commenced firing. The Japanese did not return the fire. At 2 o'clock two Russian battleships went in and were beached across the entrance of the harbor. They were soon followed by a Russian cruiser, which also was beached. None of the vessels were damaged above the water line. More shocks from torpedoes were felt during the early morning and then all was quiet.

"At 10 o'clock Tuesday morning three Japanese cruisers passed Port Arthur in sight of the Russian fleet. The whole Russian fleet immediately weighed anchor and went after them, but returned in half an hour."

The Japanese Fleet.

The steamer Foo Chow, from Dalny, passed through the Japanese fleet today. The fleet consisted of six battleships, four first class cruisers and six other vessels. They were eighteen miles from Port Arthur this morning and were proceeding in a southeasterly direction. The Foo Chow brought 300 Japanese refugees.

The two battleships disabled are the Poltava and Czarevich. The disabled armored cruiser Boyalm and the grounded battleships block the entrance to the harbor, preventing gunboats from going out and battleships and cruisers from going in and getting coal. Besides this, Japan has the Russian gunboats Variag and Koreitz caught at Chemulpo. They were bound for Vladisvostock.

The Japanese fleet was under the command of Vice Admiral Togo and consisted of four fast cruisers, the Chitoez, Kasagi, Tagafago and Yoshino, which circled outside, drawing the fire of the Russians. They then joined the main fleet and all went in to attack the armored cruisers. In the Japanese fleet, which consisted of two divisions were the Mikasa, the flagship, the first-class battleships Sahi, Fuji, Inashima, Shikashima, Hatsuse and the dispatch boat Tatsuma. The second division was under command of Admiral Kamimura on the flagship Idsumo and consisted of the armored cruisers Yakums, Iwats and Asama.

The Russian Account.

ST PETERSBURG, Feb. 10, 1 A. M.—The following bulletin has just been issued in the form of a telegram from the Viceroy's staff, dated February 9:

"By order of the Viceroy, I beg to report that this day at about 11 o'clock in the evening, a Japanese squadron consisting of about fifteen battleships and cruisers approached Port Arthur and opened fire. The enemy was received with a cannonade from the shore batteries and the guns of our squadron which also participated in the engagement.

"At about midday the Japanese squadron ceased its fire and left, proceeding south.

"Our losses in the fleet were two officers wounded; nine men killed and forty-one men wounded. On the shore batteries one man was killed and three were wounded. The battleship Poltava and the cruiser Novik each had a hole knocked in her side below the water line. The forts were slightly damaged.

(Signed) "MAJOR GENERAL FLUG."

The Russian Fleet.

CHE FOO, Feb. 10.—When seen by the steamer Foo Chow Tuesday morning the Japanese fast cruisers were circling in a radius of six miles. No torpedo boats were seen, and it is probable that they left the vicinity after the torpedo attack on Monday night. The Russian fleet outside of the harbor consisted of the battleships Petropaulovsk, flagship; Pereswet, sub flagship; Pobleda, Poltava, Czarewitch, Retvizan and Sebastopol, and the cruisers Novik, Boyarin, Bayaru, Dianu, Pallada, Askold and Angara. The disabled battleships are inside forts Huan Ching Shan and Chi Kwan Shan. The disabled cruiser is outside, but within range of the forts.

Japanese at Chemulpo.

PEKIN, Feb. 9.—About one thousand Japanese troops disembarked at Chemulpo, Corea, yesterday, notwithstanding the presence there of two Russian warships.

British Steamer Columbia

CHE FOO, Feb. 9.—The British steamer Columbia which arrived here to-day from Port Arthur, bringing news of the attack by the Japanese fleet upon the Russian fleet, reports that the Columbia had a narrow escape from injury. Her passengers and crew were very much excited. While going out of the roads at Port Arthur the Russian cruiser Novik got between the Columbia and the Japanese fleet. Shells which passed over the Novik struck around the Columbia. Her flag was cut into shreds and one shell fell on her deck. The faces of those who were on deck were blackened with powder smoke.

A naval officer who was recently at Port Arthur says the Russians were not prepared for the attack on their ships and had an insufficient amount of steam up. A boat patrolled the straits of Pechili continuously, but apparently the Japanese torpedo boats were not noticed until after the first torpedo was fired. The Russians fired, but the Japanese did not return the fire and backed off. An hour later the discharge of torpedoes was repeated, after which the torpedo boats withdrew some distance. At 10 o'clock Tuesday morning the Japanese fast cruisers circled within view of the whole Russian fleet but they were not engaged. The Russians returned toward the harbor after an hour. The Japanese, continuing, came within three miles. A battle then began between the Russian forts and fourteen ships and sixteen Japanese vessels. A few of the Japanese shells were effective, but as far as seen the Russian shots fell short. The Japanese fleet was steaming toward Dalny when seen last. The steamer Columbia left just as the morning's contest began and was unable to learn the result. It is probable that the Japanese fleet was convoying twenty-six troop ships from Sasbe to some port of Corea.

Japanese are reported to be in possession of the southern portion of the peninsula.

Russian Admiral's Report.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 8.—Admiral Alexieff's official report of the torpedo attack by the Japanese is as follows:

"I most respectfully inform your majesty that at or about midnight of 8th and 9th, Japanese torpedo boats made a sudden attack by means of mines upon the Russian squadron in the outer roads of the fortress of Port Arthur, in which the battleships Retvizan and Cesarevitch and Cruiser Pallada were damaged. An inspection is being made to ascertain the character of the damage."

The Russian battleship Reivizan was built by the Cramps at Philadelphia. She is of 12,700 tons diplacement, has 16,000 indicated horse power and has a speed of 18 knots per hour.

The Cesarevitch is a battleship of 12,110 tons, built in France. In armor, armament and speed she about equals the Reivizan.

The Pallada is a cruiser of 6,630 tons. She was built in Germany.

Russian Mail Steamer Captured.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—A dispatch to Reuters Telegram Company from Shanghai says it is credibly reported that the Russian mail steamer Mongolia, which left Shanghai Sunday, has been captured by the Japanese off Shan Tung peninsula.

TOKIO, Feb. 9.—It is reported here that the Japanese fleet engaged and defeated two Russian warships, whose names have not yet been learned, at Chemulpo. It is said the engagement began at 11 A. M. and continued until 3 P. M. The smaller Russian vessel is reported to have been sunk and the larger one fired and hopelessly disabled. A part of the crew is reported to have escaped to the shore and to have been captured. The Japanese ships are reported to be slightly damaged. Official confirmation of the report is unobtainable. It was reported yesterday that the Russian cruisers Korieiz and Varyg were lying at Chemulpo and it is possible that they are the vessels reported to have been engaged.

CONSERVE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF CHINA.

Action Taken by the U S. Government. European Powers Invited to Join in a Notice to Russia and Japan.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Secretary Hay has addressed an identical note to a number of European powers to ascertain if they are willing to join in a notice to Russia and Japan that during hostilities and thereafter the neutrality and integrity of China must be recognized. Details of the note are not obtainable in advance of the receipt of replies.

It is known, however, that exchanges already have taken place which justify the State Department in expecting favorable responses to its note.

The matter has created a great sensation in diplomatic circles here.

It is further learned that the proposition of the United States contemplates a restriction of hostilities and the consequent hardships of war to the smallest possible area. Just what this means is not made clear to the public, but the determination may have the greatest effect upon the struggle between Russia and Japan. It is almost certain that neither will be allowed to invade China proper, meaning that they may not with hostile intent go southward below Shan-Hai-Kwan on the border line between Chi-Li and Manchuria.

No explanation is accorded as to whether Manchuria itself, already the scene of the first battle off Port Arthur, is, being part of China, regarded as being within the scope of the proposition, but here, as in the case of Corean independence, it is believed that the determination will not be reached before close of the war.

It was at first supposed that the intention was to do no more than maintain the open door in Manchuria, but it is apparent that there is a deeper purpose and that from the original thought the proposition has grown into one that will conserve the territorial integrity of China.

SENATOR OVERMAN

Made His Maiden Speech in Opposition to the Panama Treaty.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The Senate to-day passed the Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation bill without debate, and then renewed consideration of the isthmian question. Mr. Fulton spoke in support of the course of the administration in connection with the Panama revolt, and Mr. Carmack of Tennessee and Mr. Overman of North Carolina in opposition thereto. Mr. Overman had not hitherto made his position on the treaty known, and his speech revealed the attitude of probably the last doubtful member of the Senate. The speech was Mr. Overman's maiden effort in the Senate.

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EVIDENCES OF RECUPERATION

Great Cloud Lifted When It Was Discovered That Practically All the Vaults and Safes Are Unhurt—Sub-Treasury—Military, Etc.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 9.—Amid ruins still hot and smoking Baltimore has begun its resurrection. With the dawn of a clear Winter day, whose brightness was in itself an inspiration, the apathy of yesterday gave way to energy, and from the governor of the State to the least private citizen people of this distressed city aroused themselves to meet the appalling conditions that confront them.

It was a day of conferences. The governor, the mayor and various municipal officials met and threshed out the problems that are theirs by virtue of public office. From this conference came a decision that Baltimore for the present needs no outside help, but will endeavor with her own resources and those of the State to meet the emergency. At this conference also was developed the machinery for an advisory legislative commission to act in conjunction with the Legislature.

The military officials had unusual problems to decide and solved them in a military manner, for to-night every pass that has been issued giving entrance to the fire lines was revoked. No civilian may pass the cordon of citizen soldiers which after forty-eight hours of continuous duty to-night stretches around the fire-swept desert where lay safes and vaults containing untold treasure.

With equal promptness the Chamber of Commerce held a general meeting and issued a formal announcement that reflected the prevailing hopefulness, declaring "there are already such evidences of recuperation that all are encouraged in the hope of the early restoration of every branch of trade."

The Stock Exchange members met and decided to rebuild as soon as possible. The same story can be told of practically every commercial body, while on every hand is evidence of private effort toward rehabilitation.

Old buildings long unused, private residences near the business, in fact every available structure bears crudely lettered signs on boards announcing that within is the temporary office of a firm. The names on some of these signs are those that rank high in the financial and commercial circles of the world and in these temporary offices men who for years have known only mahogany desks work on deal tables.

Labor is in demand and the newspapers already contain display advertisements for men to begin the work of clearing the ruins.

All things considered, the public stock taking that engrossed the business world of Baltimore to-day was satisfactory. But this does not mean that the great fire was a lesser calamity than has been pictured in the dispatches. The words that have hurried over the wires to meet a wanting world's demand for news have given but an inadequate conception of this catastrophe of a century. The bald fact is, that 140 acres of business buildings, representing property to the approximate value of $125,000,000, were destroyed within twenty-four hours.

A great cloud was lifted this afternoon when it was discovered that practically all of the vaults and strong rooms and safes of the financial concerns whose buildings were destroyed are unhurt. A tremendous loss in securities had been anticipated, and when vault after vault yielded up its treasures unharmed the joy of the guardians was boundless.

From the Continental Trust Company's safes alone papers to the amount of more than $205,000,000 were recovered. The news spread over the city and encouraged immediate and thorough investigation. Merchants and their assistants, smoke-soiled and begrimmed and hollow-eyed from anxiety and loss of sleep, worked like laborers in the smoking ruins to uncover their safes, and in nearly every instance they were rewarded by intact contents.

Another surprise was the discovery that three financial concerns whose homes were directly in the fiercest sweep of the flames, were practically unharmed. These were the Continental Trust Company, Brown Brothers' Bank and the Mercantile Trust Company. No one ventures to offer an explanation of the remarkable escape of these buildings in the centre of a heat so intense that metal trimmings of the skylights melted and dripped through on the desks. In the Mechanics bank the time-locks on the vaults were still running.

There are between $11,000,000 and $12,000,000 now in the vaults of the subtreasury, of which over $7,000,000 are in gold. The remainder consists of currency, silver and minor coin. This amount is inadequate to meet the emergency demands of the trade of the city. With considerably more than three-fourths of the leading banking institutions of the city destroyed and their vaults buried in the debris and therefore inaccessible, though happily intact, the business men of the city are seriously embarrassed in the transactions of business.

Assistant Treasurer Dryden and Cashier Nice are taking every possible measure to meet the necessities arising from the lack of banking facilities. In their steps they have the hearty cooperation of the Treasury Department, which has expressed a readiness to ship any amount of money that is needed, even if the need stretches into the millions. When Mr. Dryden telephoned Secretary Shaw he told him the situation in detail. Mr. Shaw told him that the resources of the treasury were at the disposal of Baltimore and directed that business be transacted immediately at the sub-treasury regardless of the public holiday proclaimed until Tuesday, the 15th inst., by the Governor of the State yesterday. The extraordinary action was deemed best to meet the emergency. The moment the doors were opened the heavy demand for money began and from all parts of the city came persons clamoring for silver certificates of small denominations, fractional silver and minor coin. Small notes and small silver were most needed. The liberal reinforcements of cash supplies promised from Washington will greatly relieve the situation. It is probable that the first installment will be upwards of several hundred thousand dollars, though the figures are kept secret in accordance with the invariable custom of the government.

The utmost precautions against attack on the vaults were put in force and a heavy military guard safeguarded every room, corridor, window and walls of the building. The detail consisted of fifty-eight men of the Twenty-first company, Coast Artillery, who came over from Fort McHenry at the request of the subtreasury authorities. Captain J. F. Brady was in charge. One or two men were posted at every window used by the paying teller, receiving teller and other officials who dealt directly with the public and at every corner stood an artilleryman. Men were posted beside the vault, others patrolled the cellar under the building, while every approach to the structure, which occupies a block in the heart of the city at the edge of the burned area, was heavily guarded and sentries kept the public from the sidewalks on every side of the building. These precautions were in contemplation of the presence of the vast crowds and of the chaotic conditions in the business of the stricken city and the large number of criminals that have come here.

MRS. POST FOUND GUILTY.

Mental Science Healer Convicted of Using the Mails in Scheme to Defraud—Sentence Not Yet Pronounced.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., February 9.—A verdict of guilty was returned this evening by the jury in the case against Helen Wilans Post, the mental science (not christian science) healer, who has been on trial for ten days in the United States Court. The charge against Mrs. Post was that of violating section 5480 of the Revised Statutes of the United States. It was specifically charged that she devised a scheme to defraud divers people and that she used the United States mails to further said scheme.

The maximum penalty for the violation of section 5480 is a fine not exceeding $500 or imprisonment not exceeding eighteen months, or both, in the discretion of the court.

The court has not yet passed sentence and the defence has been given ten days to prepare and submit a motion for arrest of judgment or a new trial. The defendant is under $1,000 bond.

There are eleven other indictments against Mrs. Post, her husband, C. C. Post, and her son-in-law, Charles C. Bergman.

They're All Right, All Right.

Messrs. J. H. Boatwright & Son yesterday received a most assuring telegram from the Liverpool and London Globe Insurance Co., which they represent in Wilmington. The company estimates its losses in the Baltimore fire at one million dollars, which will be paid by drafts on the home office in Liverpool, so as to maintain the surplus of the United States branch. The company has subscribed $10,000 to the relief of the Baltimore sufferers.

Washington Bread at Farris'; 30 loaves for $1 00, 3½cts. per loaf, 3 loaves for 10cts. If its not as good or better than any bread sold in the city we will refund your money. 'Phone 636. No. 109 South Front street. †

Services at First Church of Christ, Scientist, Murchison Bank building, this evening at 8 o'clock. All are invited.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

☞ NOTICES For Rent or Sale, Lost or Found, Wants, and other short Miscellaneous Advertisements inserted in this Department, in solid Nonpariel Type, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 50 cents. Terms positively cash in advance

The "servant question" need have no fears for you if you have a gas range. Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Company. feb 10 1t

Wanted—300,000 cross-ties, sap pine, heart pine, oak and cypress. For particulars call at our yard at foot of Church street or write us. Clarkton Cross Tie Company, Wilmington N. C. D & W feb 9 1w

Comfortable accommodations and good board at Virginia House, 118 Market street, over Taylor's Bazaar. $3.50 per week. feb 9 3m

The Only Restaurant is prepared to accommodate any number for breakfast, dinner and supper at the reasonable price of 25 cents each meal. Also special attention given to short orders at any time, day or night. ja 26 tf

Sewing Machines, Typewriters, Organs repaired. Will be in town for a few days only. Address J. B. Farrar, No. 9 South Eighth street. dec 30 tf

For Sale—Two turpentine stills in good working condition—one especially good. Cheap for cash. C. W. Worth, receiver. dec 13 tf

For Sale—Finest Berkshires. Three brood sows, two of them bred to farrow in March, two 7 months gilts, two 7 months boars, five suckling boar pigs, two boars 13 months old. Bargains in each lot till January 1st. L. L. Beller, Wilmington, N. C. dec 6 3 mos.

Wrapping Paper—For sale, several thousand Old Newspapers, all sizes, suitable for wrapping paper, and just the thing to put under carpets and matting. Will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Apply at the STAR office. oct 4 tf

Cabbage, Apples, Onions, Irish Potatoes, Eggs and all kinds of produce at A. B. Winstead's to-day, 213 Market street. Both 'Phones. sep 5 tf

Offices for rent in The Worth Building—the most convenient business location in the city. Modern equipment. Apply to The Worth Co. feb 18 tf

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Candy-Crackers,
Citron for Fancy Pies.

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S. P. McNAIR, feb 7 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Underwood Typewriters.

Best high grade machine on the market.

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Seed Potatoes AND **Fertilizers**

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Place your order with us and you will not be disappointed.

HALL & PEARSALL, INCORPORATED. feb 7 tf

EXTRA EARLY PEAS.

A large stock Extra Early Peas and other Seed on hand. Call or write and get my prices.

HARDIN'S Palace Pharmacy, 126 South Front Street. jan 20 tf Both 'Phones 58.

Everything Good to Eat —AT— **The Unlucky Corner,**

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We run five delivery wagons and deliver promptly.

S. W. SANDERS. Phone 109. feb 3 tf

EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I have this day qualified as Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of W. H. Holloway, deceased. All persons indebted to the said estate are hereby required to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against the said estate are required to present them to me duly verified according to law, on or before the 19th day of January, 1905, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

CARRY J. WILLIAMS. Executrix of W. H. Holloway, deceased. jan 13 6w

Announcement.

We beg to announce to our customers that Mr. D. McEachern has purchased an interest in the Holmes Grocery Company and will be associated in the management of the Company. Feb. 6th, 1904. HOLMES GROCERY CO. feb 7 3t

Climax Barber Shop.

During the year 1903 there was a large increase in our business, for which we tender our thanks to our numerous patrons. During 1904 we expect to make our banner year. We have five chairs and all other facilities needed in a first-class Barber Shop. GUION & DAVIS, jan 5 tf 7 South Front street.

Your Time Is Short.

DON'T MISS THE

Gigantic Peremptory Sale AT THE **Big Racket Store.**

4—MORE DAYS—4

Intense excitement and confusion now surrounds the establishment. The immense Store Rooms filled to overflowing with Bargains. Our intention is to make this the greatest Bargain week of the big sale.

SPECIALS FOR THIS WEEK.

Three cases of Simpson's Percales, 6c value, all pretty patterns. Only 10 yards to a customer; will go at 5c yard.		We have purchased a line of Drummer's sample Men's Hats, high grade goods, and they will be on display this week at half price.	
Good Ink 3 cents bottle.	Good Machine Oil, 10c value, 3c bottle.	A good Broom for 12 cents.	Buy your Boy a nice Necktie; this value for 8c.
A line of Men's Neckties, 35c value, pretty patterns for 23c.		This is only a few of our many Big Bargains.	
We will sell one pound of good Writing Paper this week for 10c.	Boys' and Men's Caps. This week 31 cents.	Men's 50 and 75c Dress Shirts This sale 38c.	A 25c Frying Pan will go this sale for 10 cents.
Big values in Men's and Boys' Clothing this week.		A large Picture Frame, 50c value. This sale 29c.	A big line of Children's 5 cts Handkerchiefs. This sale 2 cents.

EVERYTHING MARKED DOWN. OUR MOTTO, IS, Price No Object. HAVE YOU BEEN TO OUR SALE?

Don't miss this opportunity. Our Store is full of new Bargains this week, and we also have more help.

The Big Racket Store, **Geo. O. Gaylord,** feb 9 tf PROPRIETOR.

Sole Agents Strouse Bros. and Kuppenheimer's Fine Clothing — Masonic Temple.

J. M. SOLKY & CO.,

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COME AND SEE THE BEAUTIFUL LINE OF NEW

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One Price Clothiers and Furnishers, feb 6 tf Masonic Temple Building.

CLEARING SALE!

Ladies' Hats, Shirt Waists, Cloaks and Skirts

WILL GO AT COST FOR THE NEXT TEN DAYS.

If you want bargains be sure to call, and I would like to have the country merchants to call and see my line of

Summer Hats for Wholesale.

I have made great preparation for the wholesale business this Spring. Have some great bargains in stylish Hats, Ribbons, Waists, Skirts and other goods. The merchant can easily over double his money on anything I would sell him.

PARIS MILLINERY EMPORIUM, 129 Market St., Wilmington, N. C., feb 3 tf Next to Bonita Hotel.

Cut Glass Sale

20 per cent. off next week. Also special price on fine Dinner Sets.

See Bissinger, The China Man, feb 7 tf 119 Market Street.

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